

Mystery of explosion on TWA 800 Disintegrating engine or bomb caused death of 228 on board

FROM QUENTIN LETTS IN NEW YORK AND HARVEY ELLIOT

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TWO main theories for the cause of a crash which killed all 228 people aboard a TWA jumbo jet shortly after take-off from New York were being urgently pursued by investigators last night: a catastrophic engine disintegration which sprayed red hot shards of metal into highly combusoble fuel -- or a terrorist bomb.

As speculation raged, Presi-dent Clinton emphasised in Washington that the reason for the disaster was unknown. "Let's wait until we see the evidence," he said as he hailed rescuers who vainly tried to find survivors in the treacherous waters,

The President told victims' families: "America stands with you." He added, twice: We do not know what caused this tragedy," and said: "I caution the American people against jumping to any conclusions.

Mike McCurry, a White House spokesman, said there had been "a variety of calls". on the eve of the opening of the Olympic Games, claiming responsibility for the crash, but their credibility was doubtful. Among those killed were 16

high school students and five chaperones from Montoursville, Pennsylvania, on



The arrivals board at Charles de Gaulle airport, Paris

baggage equipment and by a

late passenger. Flying condi-tions were described as per-

fect. The plane crashed 200

yards south of Fire Island, a

skinny strip of land parallel to

No other aircraft were re-

ported close to flight 800, but a

US military C-130 cargo plane

arrived over the zone within

minules, from a training

exercise. Colonel William

Stratemeier, who was aboard,

Mike Weiss of the U.S. Air

Long Island.

and a volunteer flotilla of 500 small boats spent yesterday retrieving bodies from the sea and scanning a 240-square mile area for wreckage of the 25-year-old Boeing 747-100. Twelve hours after the crash

the "rescue" effort was reclassified a "search and recovery" as emergency workers concluded there was no chance of anyone surviving so long in the ocean. Last night it was reported that one of the flight recorders had been retrieved.

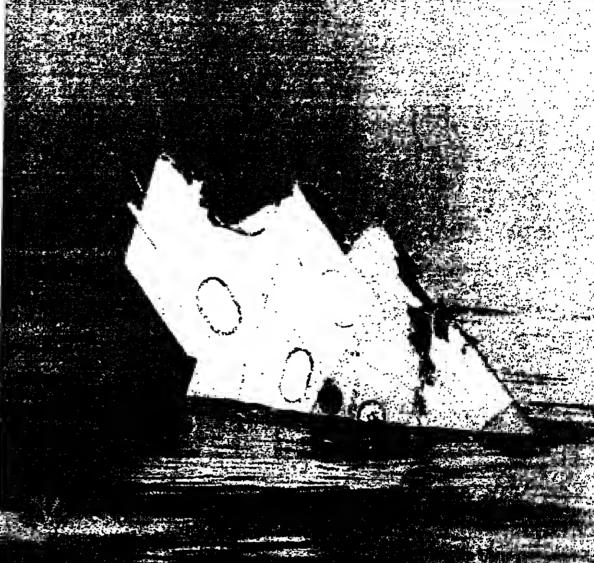
said: "I saw two large orange fireballs. They looked like Off the coast, the 120-ft deep comets, coming straight down waters of the Atlantic offered up assorted debris, from into the water." pieces of the jumbo's fuselage to charred bodies. Across the Force, also on the training area there was a pervasive flight, said: "We were startled smell of fuel, and small items of wreckage still carried flickering flames.

by a big flash of light in the sky. The next thing we know we see huge amounts of smoke The aircraft disappeared off the ocean floor." A "Mayfrom air traffic control radar day! Mayday!" message was summon help. Sven Faret, piloting a private aeroplane 10 miles from the TWA jet, looked down to see the explosion. "It was the biggest thing I have ever seen in the sky," he said.

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Master Sergeant Dennis Richardson of the New York Air Guard, one of the first to arrive at the scene of the crash after scrambling in a helicop-ler, said the rescue a0empt was frustrated by the inferno fed by the 190,000lb of jet fuel. As dusk turned to a moonless night, emergency workers struggled in the darkness. They were helped by "midnight-sun" floodlights, nightvision goggles, flares and infrared heat-sensing radars on many of the helicopters which scrambled to the scene. The difficulties were compounded by a summer fog. and a 15-knot breeze later made the waters choppy. Yesterday the ocean was calm. allowing coastguards to recover scores of bodies, which were placed in black bags and taken to land. Among the flotsam were duffel bags, armrests, shoes, a wallet - and a letter written by a mother to her daughter.

In France, a trauma centre was opened at Paris's Charles de Gaulle airport, where reiations and friends of flight 800's passengers arrived. Some had not heard of the crash. Amid



language programme in France, 40 French citizens and 20 from Italy, one of whom, Christine Baily, was reported to have had a Briosh passport.

TWA flight 800, bound for Paris, was climbing at 13,400 ft when the explosion occurred. It caught fire and fell into the waters of Moriches Inlet, off the southern coast of Long Island. For hours the ocean was covered in flames as the fuel tanks burned.

Eight coastguard cuters

time on Wednesday, 29 minafter the explosion, but it was utes after a take-off which had not known if it came from the been delayed an hour for doomed jet or someone who repairs to an item of ground saw the blast and tried to



The TWA Boeing 747 jumbo airtiner was 25 years old

ved at the airport holding a single rose which she had plucked from a vase at home. President Chirac sent his condolences to President Clinton. Victims' families at New York's Kennedy airport were taken by bus to a hotel where they were comforted by Red

Cross volunteers, priests and

helpers. The city's mayor, Rudolph Giuliani, who was a friend of Continued on page 2, col 5

Terrorism fear, pages 2 & 3



Part of a wing of the doomed aircraft floats just south of Long Island. Witnesses told of orange fireballs in sky



Chief quits

The chief executive of English Heritage resigned yesterday following a report into "alleged administrative irregularilies". Chris Green's departure, with immediate effect, was announced in a brief statement. Mr Green, a former British Rail manager, earned £101,000 a year.

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to say that, they condemned the strike. Mr Major virtually con-firmed to his MPs that the election will be next April or

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Major rallies the troops with tilt at divided Labour

BY PHILIP WEBSTER, POLITICAL EDITOR

final programme. The

Queen's Speech for the last session has been set for Octo-

ber 23, far earlier than usual,

being "hypocrites", claiming

to be the party of shareholders

party of the family and then

JOHN MAJOR gave Conser-vaove MPs their battle orders May when he said: "Don't take a holdiday next spring". The Government signalled yesterday that it will have full last night, telling them to stop being bystanders or commentators" and to become advocates for the party and the policies in which they passionately believed.

In an end-of-session rallying call to the 1922 Committee, the Prime Minister told MPs to and the Budget for November Mr Major told MPs that when voters said it was time for a change, they should be reminded of what they might take their message to the party and the country over the summer and the autumn and be changing to - higher taxes, higher gas and electricity bills, to ask themselves every day whether they had done some-thing to help Tories win the reducing inward investment, and less choice in education. election. He attacked Labour as

His call for an end to His call for an end to bickering was bolstered by Sir Marcus Fox, the committee's chairman. He said all MPs and then proposing a windfall tax that would hil the value of should take a "vow of silence" shares, claiming to be the unless they had something supportive to say. Mr Major told the Tories removing child benefit for 16

that he sensed the mood of the to 18 year olds, claiming to be the party of job creation and country changing and dethen backing the social chap-ter which would destroy jobs. clared that Labour was unravelling. The morale of Tory MPs has been boosted by clear

The Prime Minister also confirmed that he would block indications of differences at agreement in the European the top of the Labour leaderinter-governmental confership over the Tube strike. Last ence until it agreed to close the night Mr Major called on loophole that allowed the 48 Tony Blair and John Prescott hour week to be imposed in and others on the front bench Britain through the back door".

> Labour split and Peter Riddell, page 11

48 children Judge says fiend hurt as bus hits bridge BY ADAM FRESCO AT LEAST 48 schoolchildren

were injured yesterday when the root of their double-deck bus was ripped off when it hit a low bridge in Cheshire. Fifteen of the children, aged

between five and ten, were seriously hurt and last night some were being operated on for head injuries. The bus was taking them

home after an end-of-term trip to Waterworld in Stoke when it crashed into the concrete and iron pedestrian bridge along a busway at Murdishaw, Runcorn.

Evan Morris of Cheshire Fire Brigade said that the roof had been torn off from the front to the back just above the level of the seats. Residents from nearby houses helped to carry the children from the bus and laid them on the

The bus was carrying 76 children and two teachers from Palace Fields Junior School in Runcorn. The busway is a network of

single-carriageways that encircles the town and is designated for local buses only. The crash is believed to have. happened on a road set aside for single deckers. Richard Oswick, a spokes-

man for the Mersey Regional Ambulance Service, said: "II was horrific. The bus had tried to go under a concrete footbridge which was too low. It simply ripped the roof clean off it.

who killed Sophie must not be freed

BY KATE ALDERSON AND MICHAEL HORSNELL

THE man who raped and are every parent's nightmare come to pass. No girl is or ever will be safe from you." murdered seven-year-old Sophie Hook was given three life The judge then passed three sentences yesterday by a judge life sentences, one for murder who called for greater protection for children. Mr Justice Curtis recomand one each on the two rape

"This case seems to be a clarion

call for immediate steps to be

taken to improve society's pro-

tection of its children," he said.

There seems to be nothing in the way of a statutory system

which enables responsible pro-

fessionals to supervise and control a man like Howard

It emerged at the end of the 19-day trial at Chester Crown

Court that the killer had been

linked to a string of sex attacks

on children before taking Sophie from her uncle's garden

in Llandudno, Gwynedd. She

disappeared while sharing a

tent with her sister and two

cousins after a family party.

Her body was found on a

nearby beach the next morning.

Hughes, known as Mad

Howard in his home town of

Colwyn Bay, had been under

surveillance by police for 16

years and had confessed to a

paedophile friend that he want-

Mr Justice Curtis told him:

You are a fiend. Your crimes

ed to murder a child.

Hughes."

charges. Hughes had pleaded not guilty. The sentence was greeted mended that Howard Hughes, 31, should never be freed and asked police to send their report with applause and cheering on the case to the Home Office.

from the public gallery. Hughes, in tears, mouthed "I didn't kill her" as he was led away. Sophie's parents, Julie and Christopher, who have three other children, were 100 dis-

tressed to attend court. Danny Jones, Sophie's uncle, held his head in his hands and wept as sentence was passed.

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Hughes: under police surveillance for 16 years

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Security at highest levels as America responds to the lessons of Oklahoma and Dhahran

Air catastrophe increases fears in US of fanatics' attacks, admits Pentagon

TERRORISM

FROM TOM RHDDES AND IAN BRODIE IN WASHINGTON

THE PENTAGON admitted yesterday that growing fears about terrorism and national security were now the prime focus of America's defence community.

Although the cause remained unknown, the charred wreckage of Flight 800 in the waters off Long Island has concentrated minds even further. "Terrorism and national security are issues that are receiving a lot of horsepower in this building," said a senior Pentagon official. "And it's the focus of all the people at the

top." William Perry, the Defence Secretary, is taking the lead in the Clinton Administration's battle against both domestic and international terrorism. "Perry has been doing a lot of thinking about this since Saudi Arabia and, although he has been specific about troops, his message in conversations here is very broad," said the official. "We need to find ways to prevent this happening in the future. We need to improve intelligence and inter-agency communication."

This week Mr Perry an-

FROM JOHN GOODBODY

IN ATLANTA

year in which t68 died. In Washington last week, parknounced drastic changes in measures to protect American troops in Saudi Arabia from ing spaces were taken away chemical and biological weapfrom all federal buildings. Security measures at the White House, which had been tightened after various apparons and from terrorist bombs larger than the one that killed 19 American airmen in Dhahran last month. As many as ent attacks from gunmen and 4,000 troops, or about twoothers, have been kept at the thirds of the garrison, will be highest level.

moved to more remote areas of Attempts by Congress to reopen parts of Pennsylvania the desert kindgom after the Avenue have been all but Pentagon received intelligence

6 Americans have become inured to the inconvenience of security

measures and the horror of bombs ?

Atlanta goes on state of war alert

reports suggesting terrorists may strike again. The basis of concern in the Clinton Administration is twofold. On the one hand, America has faced terrorist attacks by foreign cells in Dhahran, in Riyadh last November, and on its own soil at the World Trade Centre in New York three years ago. But the threat from homegrown bombers has provoked further anxiety since the Oklahoma City bombing last sures in an anti-terrorism Bill

vetoed by the Secret Service which has warned President Clinton against the measure. Mr Clinton ducked a question yesterday over whether more should be done to ensure airline safety, but he acknowledged that his Government had already been taking a number of steps to upgrade the ability of the US to protect itself from terrorism and was

feoce Secretary, has emphas-ised that a military presence

will provide insurance

against violence at the

of security measures at air-ports and buildings and to the horrors of bombings. Holiday concern: Travel officials are bracing themselves for a sudden drop in the number of American visitors to Britain should the TWA crash have been caused by a bomb. Last year 3,259,000 Americans came to Britain

work of terrorists.

and in the first four months of this year - not the peak time almost one million arrived. By the end of the year it is expected that last year's record figure will have been exceeded

> a further S per cent. Other countries in Europe which rely on Americans to boost their foreign earnings will also be watching for signs of a decline in visitor numbers. The standard package "milk run" around Europe is to land first in London, spend up to a week in Britain, then move on to Paris. Rome and Madrid.



President Clinton urged caution after the crash: "Don't jump to conclusions."

THE death toll in yesterday's crash makes it the second-worst aviation accident in American history, and the ISth worst worldwide. 583 - March 27, 1977: A KLM Boeing 747 and PanAm 747 collided and burst into flames on runway at Santa Cruz de Tenerife, Canary Islands. ☐ S20 - August 12, 1985: A Japan Air Lines Boeing 747 crashed into Mount Osutaka.

THE WORST

DISASTERS

□ 350 - January 8, 1996: At least 350 died when an Antonov-32 cargo plane crashed into a market in Kinshasa, Zaire. 346 - March 3, 1974: A Turkish Airlines DCI0 crashed into a forest northeast of Paris shortly after takeoff from Orly Airport. 🗇 329 — June 23, 1985: An Air India Boeing 747 plunged into the sea off the Irish coast, apparently following an explosion. □ 301 — August 19, 1980: Saudi Arabian Airlines TriStar caught fire at Riyadh airport.

Air A300 Airbus shot down over the Gulf by the US warship Vincennes. 🗆 273 - May 25, 1979: An American Airlines DC10 crashed after take-off from Chicago's O'Hare International Airport. □ 270 — December 21. 1988: PanAm 747 crasbed on Lockerbie. Scotland, killing 259 people aboard and 11 in Lockerbie. □ 269 — September I. 1983: Korean Air Lines 747 shot down by a Soviet fighter. 264 — April 26, 1994: China Airlines Airbus crashed and exploded at Nagoya, Japan 🖸 261 — July II, 1991: **Chartered Canadian DC-8** crashed during an emergency landing at Jeddah. 1979: Air New Zealand DC10 from Auckland fo the South Pole hit Mount

Erebus in Antarctica. □ 256 - December 12, 1985: Arrow Air DC8 chartered by US military crashed after take-off from Newfoundland, 223 - May 26, 1991: Lauda-Air Bocing 767-300 exploded in midair. (Reuter)

OLYMPIC SECURITY

SECURITY for today's opening of the Olympic Games by President Clinton has been stepped up amid fears that the TWA disaster may have been the result of a terrorist bomb.

The airport in Atlanta was yesterday placed on level four security for the first time since the Gulf War. This means that ooly travellers with tickets can enfer terminal buildings. As part of the £200-million

Olympic security operation, more than 30,000 troops, police and federal agents were on stand-by yesterday awaifing Mr Clinton's arrival. Guests at the President's ho-

tel, which is already ringed by lavish show will be broadcast armed guards, were given to an estimated 3.5 billion people worldwide. William Perry, the US De-

special security passes. William Rathburn, head of Olympic security, said: "We have dooe everything possible. Our security system is in place, we have hundreds of thousands of people involved in the effort. We have invested hundreds of millions of dollars. I think we are as ready as we can be."

Dhahran in Saudi Arabia. A spokesman at the local US troops who will be visually and electronically Hartsville Airport, which is welcoming hundreds of thoumonitoring vehicles and packages will not be armed. They sands of visitors for the opening ceremony, said security are relying on about 50 local was being increased. The law enforcement agencies for

armed response if necessary The FBI is also involved. Many people in Atlanta

remember the attack by Arab terrofists that killed 11 Israeli athletes at the Munich Olympics in 1972. The CIA has provided the Olympic security organisers with an assessmenf of the threats posed by extremist groups such as Hezbollah and Hamas.

Games. Security had already been tightened after last Security officers in Atlanta have staged mock hijackings and bombings, and made plans for counter-measures fo month's terrorist bombing that killed 19 Americans near nerve gas and germ attacks. During one rehearsed operation on the subway earlier this year, however, one of the "kidnappers" escaped and four hostages "died".

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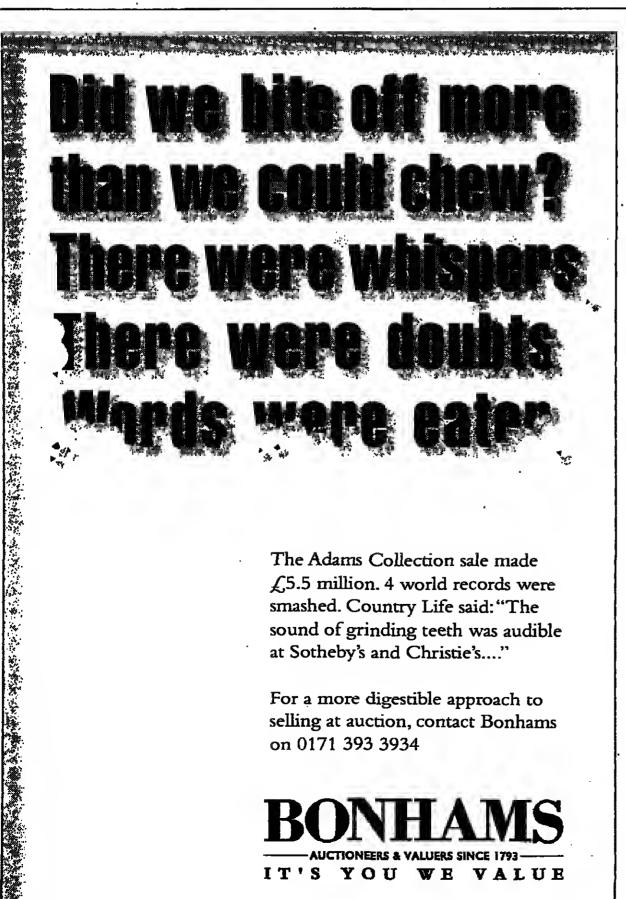
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Lax security Airport opens crisis centre denied by to counsel the bereaved Athens

FROM JDHN CARR IN ATHENS

GREEK civil aviation authorities yesterday ruled out the possibility that a security lapse at Athens Airport on Wednesday could have placed the illfated TWA Boeing 747 in danger before it took off for New York. Airport officials dismissed the suggestion as "unacceptable"

The plane was about two hours on the ground here," a civil aviation spokesman said. "It was guarded at all times."

GREECE The passengers bound for

New York passed through three separate security con-trais, one by Athens Airport staff and two by TWA staff. the spokesman said. The Athens connection has

comfort them. The crisis touched a raw nerve for the the 1994 hijacking of a French Airbus in Algeria, was quickly reactivated as news of the Greek Government. Earlier an unofficial US document warned airline travellers that security at Athens airport was inadequate. "Help us!" cried a teenage girl in jeans and black shirt through her tears as she threw

Since then, according to Greek and American officials, security has been considerably

FROM SUSAN BELL AND ADAM SAGE IN PARIS be her mother. They were MOST relatives and friends of quickly led into the trauma passengers were already distraught when they ap-proached the large black "arrivals" board at Charles de centre by security guards.

"About 50 per cent of the people we are treating still think there is some hope and Gaulle Airport. A few who had refuse to accept the accident has happened," said Dr Minot yet heard the news were merely puzzled. The TWA flight was the only one listed chel Clerel, the airport's chief as cancelled out of 30. The medical officer, as he emerged notice was later removed comfrom the centre. Dr Clerel said pletely from the board. the psychologists' main task Some relatives and friends was to listen to the bereaved sobbed openly; others, obviand to try to help them resign

themselves in the uncertainty. ously in deep shock, looked eerily calm as they were escorted by police, airport officials and medical staff past FRANCE . ⁻ the barrage of press and "We have to put them in a through the police cordon to a trauma centre, discreetly

mental state of waiting before eventually confirming to them the loss of a loved one," he said. "We get them to talk and discuss their feelings with specialists, then we leave them alone for ten or t5 minutes and we speak to them again."

About 40 people, including several Americans, were being cared for at the centre, where Dr Clercl said there were a total of 50 people in place to receive them. TWA officials and airport

authorities set up the trauma centre at Gate 12, Terminal I, where the flight had been due to arrive.

The centre comprised three separate rooms: a control room staffed with police, TWA and airport officials, an information centre where trained volunteers drawn from airport staff manned 15 information lines, and a comfortable lounge area with armchairs, small tables and refreshments where the families and friends of victims were received by psychologists and medical

staff. One French journalist who visited the centre said she was moved by the compassionate and gentle approach of the staff towards the bereaved. Although most people seemed to be in deep shock and several were crying. there were no scenes of hysteria, she said. About 40 French nationals were believed to be among the dead.

President Chirac, who is on an official vish to Congo, wrole to President Clinton, expressing his condolences. He spoke of his "strong emotion and consternation".

Mystery of explosion aboard TWA 800

Continued from page I one of the victims, spent all night with the families of the dead. "They are going through torture, clutching pictures of their relations and looking for

answers." he said. Mr Gioliani added that four people who arrived at the hotel were relieved to discover that their toved ones had taken different flights.

For others, there was no comfort. One woman in her 20s ran into the airport terminal screaming: "I need infor-mation." A middle-aged man, his face white with anguish, shouted: "My daughter was on the flight. I want to know what the hell is going on." The liance of one of the

flight stewardesses telephoned a television station. The man, who did not give his name. said he would drive to the mortuary "so that I can actually look at her, actually look at

Whatever the cause of the crash is eventually found to be, the disaster will have farreaching repercussions for air-tines, security, and world air travet generally. The clues that could eventu-

tucked away on an upper level of the airport. There a team of

20 psychologists, doctors and

Red Cross staff attempted to

centre, which was set up after

herself into the arms of an

older woman who appeared to

disaster came through.

ally solve the mystery could lic in the bodies of the victims and the seats, rather than the twisted and waterlogged flight recorders.

Using techniques developed in Britain during the Lockerbie bombing jet crash inquiry, American investiga-tors will be looking for traces of explosives, burn marks, or evidence that metal was hurled into seats from an colosion

If a bomb went off in the cabin or a luggage huld, material would have been flung at a speed of 24,000 feet per second, at least ten limes

MATTHEW PARRIS IS ON PAGE 4

faster than if the aircraft broke up in mid air. The bright orange flight data recorder and the cockpit voice recorder will have cut off immediately after the explosion as the electrical supply was severed. But the voice recorder may show a millisecond of sound. The Boeing 747-100 was built in 1971 and owned briefly by Eastern Airlines before

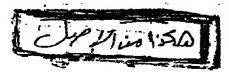
TWA. It used to fly the New York to Israel route, and before Wedaesday night's flight had been in Athens. where the airport has a dubious security record.

The crash is the second worst aviation accident in America and the t5th worst worldwide. The jetliner had two captains in the cockpit, both highly experienced. Captain Sleve Snyder, hired by TWA in 1964, was conducting

a routine in-flight review of Captain Ralph Kevorkian, who was hired by the company in 1965. A second com-plete TWA crew of t7 was sining in the cabin of the plane, which it was scheduled to fly back to America on the The Federat Bureau of In

vesugation yesterday took control of the investigation and Robert Francis of the US National Transport Safety Board said: "There is a suggestion of criminal activity." Victims' bodies were being

examined for signs of any incendiary accelerant which might strengthen theories of a bomb. The investigation w look at Kennedy airport's security, which has been on a heightened state of alert since the visit of the Pope to New York last October, and because uf the Olympic Games, which start today in Atlanta, Georgia.



TWA CRASH 3

A 'flare in the sky' before jet broke in two suggests Flight 800 was on fire before it exploded

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Lockerbie bomb experts will sift plane wreckage

BY HARVEY ELLIOT, AVIATION CORRESPONDENT, AND SHIRLEY ENGLISH

BRITISH scientists from the air accident investigation branch at Farnborough and the Ministry of Defence research department are likely to fly to Washington in help to determine whether a bomb was the cause of the TWA accident.

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But witnesses say that the aircraft looked like a "flare" before it broke into two giant orange balls of fire, indicating that it may have been ablaze before it exploded.

The four Pratt and Whitney engines are supposed to withand any failure and prevent shards of metal from rupturing fuel lines or fuel tanks. But there have been many incidents in the past when just such an "impossibility" has happened. Only last week, an engine on a Delta Airlincs MD80 jet split apart and sent metal hurtling into the cabin. killing two passengers siming alongside. It could nut happen, said the manufacturers and safety experts, but it did. A British Airtours Boeing 737 burst into flames on the runway at Manchester Airport when a combustion chamber exploded in an engine, severing fuel lines and causing an internal fire in which 55 people died. Luckily it was on the runway. It could not happen, it had been said. But it did.

The Valujet Boeing 737 which crashed into a Florida swamp should also not have caught fire in the air. But it did. There are many other recorded incidents, some of them fatal, which have been collected on accident files which will now be studied by the investigators.

Had such incidents happened as Flight 800 climbed after take-off on its way from New York to Paris, the effect would have been almost exactly that described by witnesses - the "flare" of ignited fuel from a severed fuel line to the engine. followed by an explosion as the main fuel tanks in

INVESTIGATION aircraft broke into two flam-

ing pieces. To prove that this was the cause, and not a bomb, investigators will be anxious to examine a reported brief "mayday" call made just before the aircraft disappeared from radar screens. It was so

short that air traffic controllers cannot even be contain that it came from the doomed TWA jet. But, if it did, it may also contain background sounds of a fire on board. They will also want to trace each of the engines to establish whether one, or even two, broke away, such as those which caused another Boeing 747 to crash into a block of flats in Amsterdam in 1992 with the loss of four crew and

Each time there is an accident, safety is tightened in the hope of preventing anything like it happening again. But in the first six months of this year, 609 people died in world airline accidents compared

Scots offer

can crash (Shirley English writes).

TWA had accurate passenger records, which "was not the case at Lockerbie". Last night the shocked

tims. Stephen Berry, a councillor. said: "Ou flames and another as the thoughts are with them."

with only 206 in the first six months of last year. The deaths occurred in 25 fatal crashes, four of which involved large passenger-carrying jets.

Inevitably, questions will be asked about the age of the TWA jet. It was built in 1971 and first delivered to Eastern before being sold to TWA. But there are hundreds of old jets flying safely around the world. British Airways alone has 15 Boeing 747-100 series which

43 people on the ground.

of helpline

THE families of Lockerbie victims yesterday set up a helpline for relatives of those killed in the Ameri-

Jim Swire, of UK Families Flight 103, who lost his daughter, Flora, in the Lockerbie disaster, said: "When something like this happens it reminds you of the early days." He booed

Lockerpic community stat its sympathy to relatives of the American crash vie

are of similar age. Every part has been re-placed several omes in the

carefully monitored series of maintenance checks which all commercial aircraft have to undergo. The Federal Aviation Authority has some of the loughest safety inspection regulations of all, including special modifications and more regular checks on older jets. The age of the aircraft is

therefore, unlikely to have any direct bearing on the crash. But as an outside chance, the investigators will also be keen to find the rear pressure bulkhead to establish whether

it ruptured and to study the cargo manifest to ensure that it did not contain any inflammable material.

The process of piecing together the final moments of the flight will be far more difficult than the 21-month

investigation into the Lockerbie disaster, a British scientist said, Professor Anthony Busuttil,

of Edinburgh University, was key figure in the 1988 Lockerbie investigation which first confirmed that a bomb was to blame after finding soot deposits on the airframe.

At Lockerbie, scientists managed to collect 90 per cent of the Boeing 747's scattered fuselage, which left a trail 80 miles south of the town. But. the TWA wreckage is spread over "a vast area and there is movement of the water", said

Professor Busuttil * Retrieving the bodies and wreckage will of the parents have come in and we have counsellors to take care of people," he said.

SIXTEEN pupils from a small town school died in the disaster, along with five adults who were accompanying them to France for a summer language course.

BY OUENTIN LETTS

IN NEW YORK

AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

The children attended Mountoursville High School, northern Pennsylvania, where yesterday fellow pupils and teachers were coming to terms with the loss. The day before they had waved goodbye to their Paris-bound friends who were members of the school's French Club.

superintendent, described a sombre mood in the classrooms and corridors. "Many

The 16 children, most from

rural homes, had been "bub-bling with excitement" when they left for their trip, their luggage decorated with stickers of the Eiffel Tower. In their bags were French text books containing useful phrases which they practised on each other as they waited to check in at the TWA desk at Kenne-

dy airport. They were exceptional kids, both academically and socially, the kind of kids you'd like to take home and make your own." said Dan Chan-David Black: the school's dler, the headmaster.

The wife and niece of Wayne

the victims, the organisers of the Toulon Jazz Festival said yesterday. The two women were to join Shorter, who was due to play today at the festival.

Also feared to have died in the crash were Vera Feeney, an Irish emigrant from Kilmore in Co Rescommon,

THEVICTIMS

and her 17-year-old daughter Deirdre. Mrs Feeney was believed to have been travelling to Paris on the first leg of a journey home to Ireland for a summer holiday. Her husband is a TWA employee. She was understood to have left

Meet Vanessa.

the United States around 20 years ago.

Italian officials were yesterday trying to identify 19 pas-sengers who were thought to have been switched to the aircraft after their TWA New York-Rome flight was cancelled because of a crew. shortage. They were to have been

joined by Domenico Consales, 66, of White Oak, Pennsylvania, but because he arrived several hours early at Kennedy Airport he was switched to a third flight which arrived at Rome yesterday morning.

An airline spokesman said last night that all passengers had been identified. "We are now contacting all the families

40 and 70 of the passengers were French. The tragedy triggered the use of the 30 counsellors and crisis managers who are on call around the clock at Charles de Gaulle Airport. TWA set up a crisis centre for relatives of passengers at Leonardo Da Vinci Airport outside Rome.

As the Queen and John Major joined other world leaders in sending messages of sympathy to the White House, President Clinton moved swiftly to calm America's fears about terrorist attacks in the wake of the explosion, which came just hours before the opening of the Olympic Games in Atlanta, Georgia.

Mr Clinton said: "We do not caused tragedy

A Red Cross disaster worker at Kennedy Airport in New York supports a relative of a passenger who was on the crashed aircraft **Town mourns for 16 children on school trip**



the wings were engulfed in the

Shorter, the American jazz Ireland with other members of saxophonist, were also among her family for a new home in

It is believed that between

Phone Times are open Bam-Bam Monday-Friday (anchoing Bank Holidays) and 10am-2pm Saturday. Calls may be recorded and monitored. Vanessa is a fictional character, but har story is based on a real Midland Bank customer living in the Southampton area, insuring contents worth £20,000. Quotations will vary for other amounts and locations. Issued by Midland Bank pic-

'You could see balls of flame, then everything disappeared'

BY QUENTIN LETTS AND MICHAEL KALLENBACH

RESIDENTS of the Hamptons, the fashionable Long Island enclave, were barbecuing supper in their gardens and strolling on the beach. awaiting sunset, when they saw a flash of light and looked up to see TWA Flight SOO's fiery descent to the waters of Moriches Inlet.

Mike Gilligan, from Westhampton, said: "At first it was like a fireworks display. The plane jaggedly exploded all sorts of debris across the sky. I waited, expecting to hear a sonic boom. Fifteen seconds later came a low rumble, followed by the sight of black ^rsmoke."

Marie Murray, from East Moriches, said: "I heard a very loud boom, followed by another. I was on the phone to a friend at the time and said. 'God, did you hear that?' My whole house shook. I saw a cluster of red."

Roland Penney and his son Randy were near the beach when they saw the crash. They immediately jumped into their boat and hurried to the site, finding debris floating on the surface. "Horrible, horrible," said Mr Penney Snr, who steered his boat as near as he dared to the Boeing 747s burning jet fuel.

We were looking for survivors and hoped to find someone holding on to a lifejacket.



New Jersey police bring crash victims' bodies ashore

We found two people, who were dead, still strapped into their seats. There were no burn marks on the people we saw." Other reports, however, spoke of bodies being badly burned.

Victor Fehner. 47, who was in the shallows on his 17ft dinghy, said: "It looked tike the wing came off. You could see two balls of flame, then everything disappeared." Jackie Marlow, who had just been fishing, said: "There was a great fire. Eventually the plane just spread apart and there was a loud thump. I felt the tremor when it hit the water." Jim Ahrens, a barman at

John Scott's Raw Bar, near Westhampton Beach, said: "It was this comet-like explosion in the sky. There was a column of fire all the way to the water, straight down."

June O'Reilly, a dentist living in Amagansett, on the tip of eastern Long Island, was driving home from Manhattan along the Long Island Expressway, when "I sudden-ly saw this golden glow in the air. It looked like a firebomb

in the sky." She immediately turned to a local radio station. "I had hoped it was a mechanical failure," she said. "But my gut reaction tells me something else."

Paris regularly - she was last there in April to run in the marathon - said that only last weekend she had been at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington where she viewed a new exhibition on TWA and its role in aviation history.

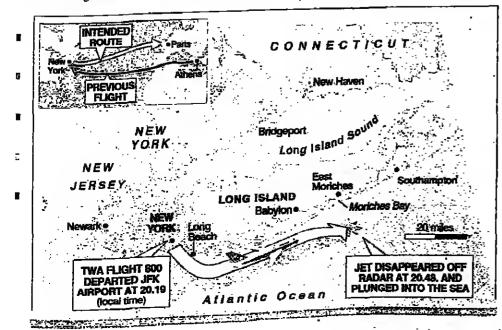
Dr O'Reilly, who travels to

Dawn Davis, who is the bookkeeper at Larry's Crab House in East Moriches on Long Island, said: "The streets are closed, and the Coast Guard, which is next door to where I work, is only allowing the media back."

Dan Pulick, ZZ, a mainte-nance worker, was driving to meet some friends in Westhampton Beach when suddenly he saw what he described as "a little ball in the sky over my head. I wasn't sure what I was witnessing. thought it was coming down preny quickly. Then a third of the way before the ocean, it exploded and there was this huge ball of fire.

"I have never seen anything this big before. It gained speed as it exploded. I was 500 yards from the beach, and in my car I could feel the explosion. It must have shaken everything around me for miles."

Mr Pulick and a friend went to view what had happened from the top of a nearby building with a pair of binocu-lars. "I drove down to the scene soon after that, and with all the helicopters I realised there was nothing I could do."



HIV-infected blood aboard

Moriches, New York: Rescue crews searching for survivors are keeping a lookout for an eight-litre container of blood contaminated with HIV, the virus that causes Aids, accord-

ing to the US Coast Guard. Dr Alfred Saah of the Johns Hopkins Medical Institution said the risk of rescue workers becoming contaminated was close to nil. He added that if the container broke on impact the risks were even less because the blood would be diluted in the ocean and that the virus could not survive. The Coast Guard did not say why the blood was being carried on the light. (AFP)

Vanessa's just insured the contents of her home for £10.20 a month.



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HOME NEWS

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Nicholas Winterton is the Conserva-tive MP for a Chesbire seat, Macclesfield. Mrs Ann Winterton represents a

neighbouring constituency, Congleton. She. too. is a Tory. The couple are married. Nichulas (if we may be so familiar) sits on the front bench below the gangway. Ann (if she will permit us) sits

a couple of rows behind him. As a duo, they bring to the Commons a sort of Gothie version of the former daytime TV show, Good Morning

with Anne and Nick, in which their guests are tortured until they surrender, beg for mercy, or weep. Both were in their places for

Agriculture Questions yester-day. Both wanted to ask about farming. They were not quite close enough to share a sofa.

but ideologically they do. Their special guest for the afternoon was the Agriculture Minister, Douglas Hogg, But uolike the other Anne and Nick, this Ann and Nick were not there to put their inter-viewee at his ease. Poor Mr

Hogg had been knocked about a bit before he joined the couple, and subjected to jeers from much of his audience - the opposition side from the start. There was no orange juice, no curtains, no pastel colours and no plants.

at Arms department.

Nick, first, with the knee and Just Betty Boothroyd, looking grim, and a couple of oniboot he is the hard man of the duo. He chose BSE and the formed men from the Serjeant European Court as his stick with which to beat Hogg, and Anne and Nick would invite began to sbout.

their guests to sit down. Ann and Nick made theirs stand Nothing is ever understated with this Nick. Every word, every "it", "an" or even "the" is belted out. "Is this not an up, facing in the wrong direc-tion and obliged to crane



AFFRONT to the SOVER-EIGNTY and INTEGRITY of this PARLIAMENT? Does round to answer. In went my Rt Hon friend not agree with ME that the EURO-PEAN COURT is a court of VESTED INTERESTS?"

Mr Hogg, turning on the spit, begged leave to express himself in more moderate terms, as the audience jeered.

And now it was Ann's hum. She is less brutal in ber style - the soft cop: chillingly courteous at all times.

She chose the Common Agricultural Policy with which to abuse her guest a cruel little inquiry about the relative sizes of agricultural holdings. Herr Fischler, and the British disadvantage. Ann said "Herr Fischler" with

special menace. "Quite right" shouted Nick, as Ann finished her question, further discomfiting their guest, who stammered out (to

Hogging the limelight: a bad afternoon with Ann and Nick Radio 2 will understand this what Ann and Nick knew was an impossible question) the sketch's proposal that, beyond daytime TV. the Members for Macelesfield and Congleton best reply he could. More jeers. Then the couple remight like to do a hard-core leased their interviewee to be radio show, The Wintertons. kicked around by members of later at night. Unlike Derek the audience, their work done. Watching Hogg's subse-quent torments. Nick looked and Ellen Jameson, who only tease, Nick and Ann might aim to get their guests to cry, relaxed - sunk onto his bench with a jovial brutality. Ann pursed her lips a little and watched tensely, like a

live and on air. But they had better get their bid in fast. For the day is bird of prey. Neither of them coming when, for sheer, creepy, flesh-tingling horror, The Blairs will out-chill every

Readers who have ever heard The Jamesons on BBC rival.

Lilley asks for tenders to operate child benefit

By DOMINIC KENNEDY SOCIAL AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

THE handover of LSOO civil servants to a private company, the first step in privaosing the Department of Social Security, will be announced by Peter Lilley today. The minister will invite tenders for the administration of child benefit, paid to the mothers of 13 nullion school-age children from offices at Washington, Tyne and Wear.

Mr Lilley is expected to announce further privatisatiuns of benefit payments, transferring the bulk of the 68,000 employees of the Benefits Agency into private hands, His department could eventually be reduced to a small staff drawing up contracts and checking that the terms are

properly met. Child benefit has been chosen to lead the way because it is the easiest to administer. being paid without means tests or the provision of much information beyond the exislence of a baby.

From next April, private firms will be able to tender to provide a wide variety of services to the department. They will have the opportunity to work for the Benefits Agency, which pays and adminis-ters social security benefits, the Contributious Agency, which manages National Insurance, and the Child Support Agency, which deals with

maintenance payments. Mr Lilley hopes to achieve a:

MPs accuse Birt of acting like tsar on World Service

By JAMES LANDALE, POLITICAL REPORTER

MPS yesterday attacked John Birt, the Director-General of the BBC, over his planned reforms of the World Service. They accused Mr Birt of being dictatorial, arrogant and running the BBC like "a kind of tsar". One MP said he was not confident that the World Service was in safe hands and another urged Mr Birt to halt the reforms.

The criticism came as Mr Birt gave evidence to the Commons Foreign Affairs Committee after widespread public criticism of his reforms. In June Mr Birt announced plans to merge the news operations of the World Service and the domestic BBC, While Mr Birt says it would

save money and improve the service, critics say it would risk the World Service's international reputation. Such is the feeling in Westminster that 238 MPs from all parties have signed a Commons motion expressing concern. It urges Mr Birt and the

BBC governors to "guarantee that the distinctive nature of the World Service programning with its unrivalled reputation for impartiality will not be impaired by any organisational changes".

Mr Birt was repeatedly questioned yesterday about the secrecy surrounding the decisions.

MPs asked why Sam Younger, managing director of the World Service, and Bob Phillis, deputy Director-General of the BBC, were told about the

being presented with the re-forms as a fait accompli. Mr Younger eventually admitted that he had been "shocked" but was now convinced that the plans would benefit the World Service. Mr Phillis, pressed four times. finally admitted he had been

Director-General's right to decide what is appropriate." Robert Wareing, Labour MP for Liverpool West Derby,

said he was astonished that Mr Birt had not told senior managers about his reforms until a day before they were announced. "Don't you think that was a dereliction of duty?" he asked. "You seem not to be acting like the Director-General but like a kind of tsar."

Tory Chief Whip, said no one on the committee understood why Mr Birt thought that it was "inappropriate" for the reforms to be discussed by his senior staff. Mr Birt said he had met and consulted more staff than any other BBC Director-General

David Sumberg, Tory MP for Bury South, said Mr Birt gave him "no confidence that the future of the World Service is in safe hands".

Dennis Canavan, Labour MP for Falkirk West, said: "If it ain't broke, don't fix it. Why are you interfering in something that has such a major

who were also at the committee, repeatedly evaded quesoons about how they felt when "surprised" by some of the detail. He said: "It is the

Michael Jopling, the former

John Birt faced questioning on World Service Mike Gapes, Labour MP for llford South, pressed Mr

Birt over the different production costs between the BBC's domestic news service and the World Service. Mr Birt admitted the exact figures were difficult to determine and that no one really knew them.

Mr Gapes urged Mr Birt to carry out further investigations into cost differences. Wouldn't it be sensible now to stop your reorganisation until that has been done?"

any major strategic and structural change to the BBC. The scale of the changes were such that we agreed that consultation would not be proper in these circumstances." But he added that the

way these changes were im-plemented would be open to full consultation. He said: "I am as passionate about the World Service as anybody who has written about it in recent days. It is inherently ridiculous to sug-gest that I would want to do

Suspected device is detonated in Dublin

BY AUDREY MAGEE AND NICHOLAS WATT

ARMY bomb disposal experts in Dublin carried out a controlled explosion last night after suspected loyalist terrorists claimed they had planted

night that no device had been found after the controlled explosion, at about 6pm, in a skip outside a store near O'Connell Street. At 12.25pm a man claiming to be from the Ulster Freedom Fighters telephoned the BBC. in Belfast and, using a recognised codeword, gave a warning that a bomb had been planted in the street. The UFF is a cover name for the terrorist Ulster Defence Association. Police evacuated the street and searched shops and businesses for several hours before concentrating on the skip. There were fears last night that the UFF might have made the call without planting a

Loyalist political leaders had given warning last week-end that the terrorists ceasefire was close to breaking-point in the wake of Sunday's republican bomb attack in Enniskillen,

John Major, responding to concerns expressed by Tony Blair, urged political leaders to speed up moves towards substantive inter-party discus-Enstone, near Oxford, on the way 10 an air show. All seven passengers and crew were rescued from the wreckage of the 15-seater plane, which fell Soft, Built in the 1960s to carry cars on Channel routes, it had been booked to appear at an airshow in Filton, near Bristol. sions on Northern Ireland, Mr Major pleaded with the par-Second lottery draw ties to put aside the hostility of recent weeks and pressed for improvement on the "inadequate" progress in the talks. Camelot, the operator of the National Lottery, is planning a He made clear that minissecond weekly draw in the autumn. The plan, which has ters were not prepared to been submitted to the regulator Oflot, is likely to involve a draw on Wednesday evenings, with smaller jackpots as prize money is split between the two draws. The scheme postpone the multi-party talks despite the calls of some MPs for a "cooling off" period. He also played down suggestions of a deep rift with John Brut-on, the Irish Prime Minister. could boost Camelot's takings by 25 per cent. Snail rescue obstructed Sir Patrick Mayhew, the Police arrested eight protesters yesterday for obstructing work on the removal of rare snails from the route of the Northern Ireland Secretary, and Dick Spring, the Irish Foreign Minister, met in Lon-Newbury bypass. About 40 demonstrators confronted police with an 8ft snail effigy. Engineers had been digging up don to discuss ways of improvsedge and turf for wildlife experts to create a habitat on the ing security in advance of next month's loyalist marches in Northern Ireland. River Kennet for the colony of Desmoulin's whorl, New digital Nokia. 100 hours of power. Plus free line rental! NOKIA 7 NEW GSM MODEL 1610. Cellphone • Up to 100 hrs standby-time AND OF BICELLENCE Up to 3.5 hrs talk-time ♦ 45 name/number memory stored on SIM Fast recharge-55 mins
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NEWS IN BRIEF Welsh attack on Princess

Five Labour MPs have tabled a Commons motion expressing sadness that the Princess of Wales has severed all links with the Principality. Six Welsh charities were among nearly 100 from which she resigned as patron this week. Paul Flynn, MP for Newport West. who says the Princess should renounce her title, said people were baffled that she wished to retain "of Wales" but sever her links.

Painting export delay

The Getty Museum in California has protested at the Government's decision to hold up by a month an export licence application for a £3.5 million Guercino painting, the third extension in six months. Last Monday was meant to be the deadline for an export application for Erminin finding the wounded Tancred. It is believed that the National Galleries of Scotland are negotiating to buy the work.

Solicitors to vote on split

Solicitors in England and Wales are to be balloted uver wbether their professional body, the Law Society, should be split up. The society's annual meeting mustered the required 20 votes for a postal ballot of the whole profession to see if there is support for separating its regulatory and trade union functions, along the lines of the General Medical Council and the British Medical Association.

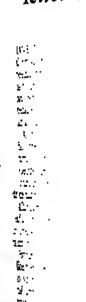
Farmer fined for fraud

A former county chairman of the National Farmers' Union has been fined £3,600 for falsifying claims for European Union cattle subsidies. Martin Mann-Heatley, 52. was also ordered by Nottingham magistrates to pay legal costs of £5,000 and to compensate the Ministry of Agriculture for more than £800. The accused, of Nuncaton, admitted three charges of dishonestly applying for subsidies.

Air-show plane crashes

Three people were in hospital last night after a rare Bristol Freighter aircraft crashed after an aborted take-off from In the Commons yesterday,

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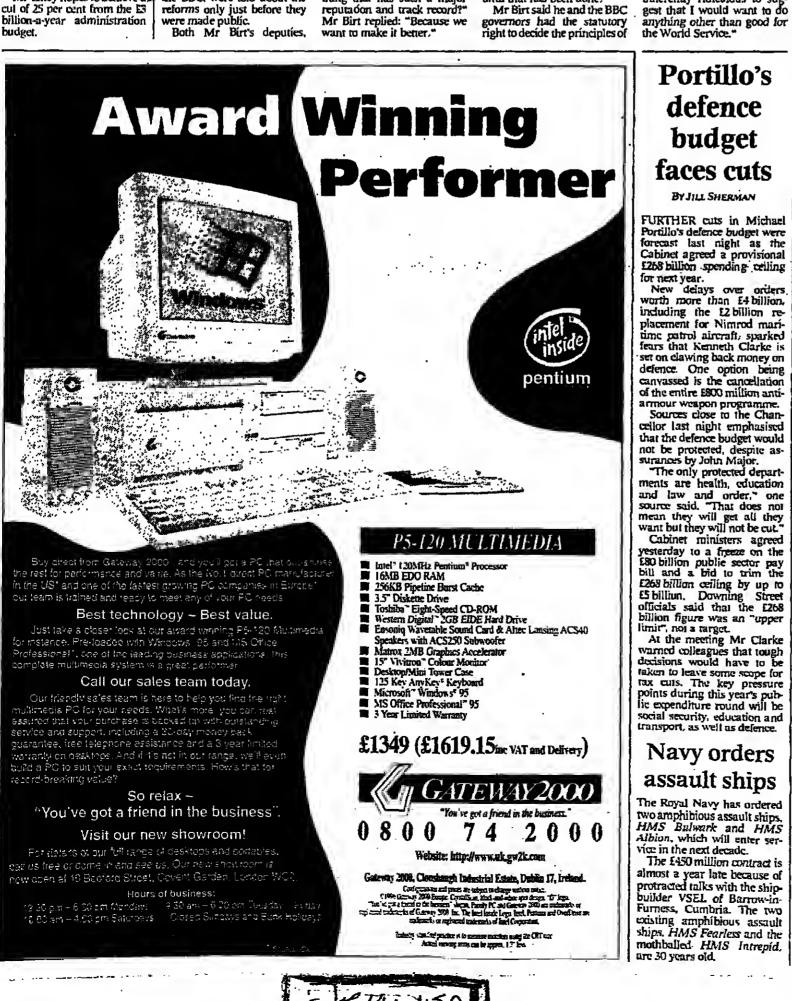
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Benefactor offers to pay off evicted farm woman's debt

BY PAUL WILKINSON

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A WOMAN evicted from the remote farm her family has occupied for 500 years could be back home next week.

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Freda Fentriss-Ellerby had to leave her 64-acre estate high on the North Yorkshire moors on Tuesday because of a longrunning dispute over her brother George's will. His half share of Forest Lodge Farm, worth about £80,000, was left to outsiders who pressed for the cash.

Press coverage sparked a wave of public sympathy and yesterday Miss Fentriss-Ellerby's solicitor announced that an anonymous benefactor had offered 10 buy out the claim of the beneficiaries. James Scott said his 63-yearold client was overwhelmed by the offer. The investor has indicated that he is prepared

to allow Freda to remain on the farm. Miss Fentriss-Ellerby has

spent all her life on the farm in Danby Dale. She has lived alone since her brother's death in 1989, except for the company of her 68 catrle, two dogs, 17 cats, 20 chickens and a Castleton set up the pressure gander called Sid. The farmgroup Reform -- Restore house, parts uf which date Freda's Ownership Rights from the 15th century, has Movement --- and launched a neither electricity nor running fund at the National Westminster Bank. There were offers of Negotiations to allow her to

stay on the land, with the collection of animals she regards as friends, finally broke down last week and the bailiffs moved in. Mr Scott said: "We have to

move quickly because the repossessors took control of helper. Freda's animals and will sell them off, because it is so expensive to look after them all. She is moved by the offer and the support and generos-ity she has received from members of the public. I do not think she has ever doubted she would return." Reports and pictures of her

distress at being forced out of her home and of her apparent inability to come to terms with ter times. urban life in her cousin's bungalow in Whitby, stirred anger and sympathy among of the farm from the estate, The residents of nearby

then he would gladly sell it to

her to employ someone to help her through the difficult win-

tals in the Teesside area that treated him during his last days. The hospitals were not pressing for their share in the proceeds of the sale, and two of the friends were dead, but

money

after hearing of the offer: "I would like to be back there today. The news is great 1 thought the original decision to evict me was wicked and should never have happened. Now I want to resume a quiet

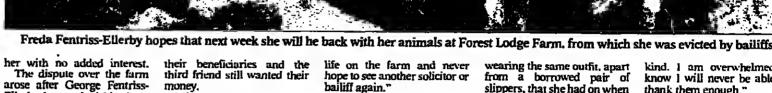
bailiff again."

charity in the Esk Valley. The trustees voted the money at a hurriedly-arranged meeting vesterday. Part of it will be spent on new clothes for Miss Fentriss-Ellerby, who is still

wearing the same outfit, apart from a borrowed pair of slippers, that she had on when the bailiffs ordered her to leave.

ness that has flowed in from wellwishers, "I am ever so grateful. People have been so

with her two closest companions, her sheepdogs Judy and Rona. Friends who had been looking after them in the farmyard at Danby Dale felt that they were best back with their mistress.



her with no added interest.

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£30,000 each from Yorkshiremen living in London and Plymouth. Then an American offered up to £100,000 after reading the story on his arrival in

London. Mr Scott declined to

say if he was the anonymous However, he did say that the appeal fund had been inundated with cash gifts. Miss Fentriss-Ellerby's benefactor was happy for her to keep all the donations she received if she wished to do so: "The

donations will enable her to continue to feed her callle next year. They may also permit

Ellerby bequeathed his share to three friends and two hospi-Mr Scott said that if the appeal fund raised enough to buy back the benefactor's half

She came close to breaking down with emotion as she talked about the tide of kind-

HOME NEWS 5

Botham rejected Imran's offer of letter of regret

the public.

BY JOANNA BALE

IAN BOTHAM lold the High Court yesterday that he had rejected Imran Khan's proposal to settle their dispute with an open letter to The Times because he did not regard it as an apology. As the finishing flourish in

his three-day cross-examination, the letter was read by George Carman, QC, to the court. In it, Imran stated that > he had never called Botham or Allan Lamb, whom he regard-

ed as "true sportsmen", racist or cheats, and that his comthink it's another smoke-screen. I do not think that is an apology, which is all I asked ments had been misquoted. Botham is suing Imran for libel over an article in The Suri

for. Mr Carman then asked in which he said that illegal Botham about his anger a

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Miss Fentriss-Ellerby said

Among the many offers of help was £100 from a local

kind. I am overwhelmed. I know I will never be able to thank them enough." Last night she was re-united

ball-tampering was common among fast bowlers. Botham and Lamb are also suing over an article in India Today magazine in which Imran allegedly accused them of racism, of being uneducated and of lacking class and

upbringing. The apology, intended for publication two months after the article in The Sun in 1994. went on to offer his regret if any party or their family had been caused distress. It also called for the laws on balltampering to be clarified.

Mr Carman turned to Botham and asked him why he had not accepted it. CARMAN: In the interests of

the great name of cricket and



marriage". CARMAN: You see it as even more evidence of malice against you by Imran? BOTHAM: Yes. Cross-examining Lamb, Mr Carman referred to the article in India Today, saying that Imran had written that he had been distressed that such a view had been attributed to him. He had never called Lamb a racist.

in the interests of avoiding

some kind of blood battle in

these courts and in the inter-

ests of good relations between

the Pakistan cricketing team

and the English team, did you

not think that that was a fair

and reasonable proposal

CARMAN: Did you not think

the letter was written in a

spirit of good faith? BOTHAM: No sir, I do not. I

comments made by Imran in a

review of Botham's autobiog-

raphy in which he wished Kathy Botham "all the luck for

the remainder of her

which you might accept? BOTHAM: No sir, I did not.

CARMAN: What is wrong with that? LAMB: What is wrong is he said never but he did.

CARMAN: But the article was not written by Imran Khan. It purports to be extracts from an interview by Imran Khan. You know he was saying he had been misquoted. LAMA: I don't know whether he was misquoted. It was in black and white. CARMAN: Mr Khan was denying he called you a racist and he had been misquoted. You realise that don't you? LAMB: If you were called a racist you would be upset too. He said that as someone who had left South Africa because he hated apartheid and wished to play international cricket he had been "upset and saddened" by the article. The case continues.

Woman attacked at tennis contest

By KATHRYN KNIGHT

promising tennis players were being questioned by police yesterday after a violent sex attack on a female member of the Essex club where they have been competing in an

international tournament. The 41-year-old woman was attacked as she left Frinton-on-Sea Lawn Tennis Club, where she had been drinking in the bar with friends on Wednesday night. As she reached the foyer she was dragged into a dark corner, beaten, robbed

and sexually assaulted. -Police believe the attack might have been motivated by revenge after the woman had remonstrated with two youths for throwing drink cans around the club's bar.

The 22-court club is playing host to 200 young players from as white and aged about 18.

SOME of the world's most all over the world competing in the Frinton Satellite tournament for women and the Reebok Open Tennis Week for men. Visitors and members were questioned yesterday. Detective Chief Inspector

Terry Gardiner, from Clacton police, said the woman's injuries were appalling. "She could not even walk afterwards. She crawled 30 yards into the lighted area before anyone saw her. It was one of the worst cases I have seen." The victim was taken to Colchester General Hospital and released after treatment. but readmitted yesterday when she realised she had a broken jaw. "She is in a very. very distraught state," Mr Gardiner added.

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RAF pilot cleared over low-flying death

By RICHARD DUCE

AN RAF pilo: whose lowflying aircraft struck and killed a soldier, allegedly in a game of "chicken". was acquitted of manslaughter yesterday. The jury at Bristol Crown Court took more than three hours to clear Squadron Leader Michael Morison, 42, who looked stunned by the unanimous verdict at the end of a 14day trial.

Private Christopher Game, 21, was killed when he was hit by the squadron leader's Hercules transport plane as it made a low-level inspection pass at South Cerney military airfield near Cirencester Gluucestershire, in an airdrop exercise on August 4. 1994. The soldier was standing on the cab of his recovery truck when he was struck by the open rear cargo door of the aircraft, which was said to be travelling at 12ft to 14ft from

the ground. During the trial the prose-cution alleged that that the pilot had been involved in a game of "chicken", buzzing ground crew for "a bit of fun". It was claimed that the private was a willing participant in

the game. Squadron Leader Morison, a pilot with 20 years' experience, denied that he regularly flew dangerously 250ft

low and described the "chicken" allegadons as "absolute rubbish". He said that on the inspection run the aircraft radio altimeter had failed at 70fr. He said he levelled out but through a misjudgment descended lower than he intended.

After the trial, Private Game's father said he was devastated by the verdict and felt cheated. Ray Game, 48, who runs a fish and chip shop in Bournemouth, said: "I think there was an RAF cover-



Morison: flew at 14ft

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loses sex bias claim By STEPHEN FARRELL understood that since his son's accident, no inspection runs had been made at less than

police career was ruined by a "We will get no compensahopeless dog yesterday lost tion for the loss of our son her claim for sexual discrimibecause he was over 21 and nation. Former WPC Elizaself-dependent. The fact that 1 beth Fletcher based her case have lost all those years with him doesn't seem to matter."

Squadron Leader Morison's solicitor, Martyn Stacey, said in a statement: "My client is very relieved that the case is over. ft has been a long and difficult two years for him and his family. My client's sympathy goes out to the family of Private Game, who have also had a difficult two years."

A spokesman for the Defence Ministry said the officer's future in the RAF was under consideration. "What will happen to him finally is now a matter for the RAF. We will reconvene the military board of inquiry, which was put on hold during the criminal investigation and trial, so that lessons can be learnt.

"He will not face a court martial for the same offence. but I will not speculate about

the board's findings or his

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on "gossip and innuendo", an industrial tribunal ruled. Mrs Fletcher, 43, accused PC David Brown and other male instructors of deliberately giving her a German shep-herd dog, Beau, which they knew was not up to the job. She retired through ill-health after twice failing over Beau during training and on active duty with a dog section;

of which she was the only woman among 32 officers. But she and the dog passed the 13-week training course, the tribunal in Nottingham was told. John Threifall, the tribunal

handler

chairman, dismissed Mrs Fletcher's claim for compensation and ordered her to pay £250 costs to PC Brown and £250 to Nottinghamshire police. "Mrs Fletcher's case has been devoid of facts and it is based on gossip and innu-endo," he said.



Elizabeth Fletcher after the tribunal ruling yesterday

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Victim of beating in police van awarded £125,000

By Richard Ford, home correspondent

A MAN who suffered multiple injuries after being assaulted by police officers won E125.000 yesterday. The payment to Trevor Gerald, 36, is the latest in a series of six-figure awards against the Metropolitan Police which are causing concern among the force's most senior officers

Mr Geraid, a telecommunications engineer from Hayes. west London, won E25,000 compensation for assault. false imprisonment and malicious prosecution, and E100,000 exemplary damages. Mr Gerald, who was trying to get more police in his district to combat drug problems, was assaulted after being arrested by police during an anti-drugs operation on the Mozart estate in Queen's Park, west London, where he lived six years ago. He had written to his MP, Sir John Wheeler, expressing his

concern at drug problems. He was put in a headlock in the back of a van by four police constables and repeatedly punched. Officers hit him in making the the eyes, bloodvessels burst, and drag-

ged him into the police station where he was strip-searched while covered in blood. He was admitted to hospital where X-rays revealed three fractured bones in his foot. Mr Gerald also sustained two black eyes, heavy bruising and bleeding to his cheeks, forehead and nose, and part of wild. 1 figure a deadl

his lip was sliced off. Mr Gerald, who has no previous convictions, was convicted at Marylebone Magistrates' Court of assaulting two officers, but in May 1991 the conviction was overturned on

appeal. The Metropolitan Police lodged an appeal against yesterday's award at Central London county court and the judge ordered that Mr Gerald be given only E75,000 pending the hearing.

In other recent awards. Daniel Goswell was awarded a record E302,000. Kenneth 🚅 Hsu, a hairdresser, received £220,000, Andrew Kownacki E108,750 and Terence Winvard E109,000. In 1995 Scotland Yard paid out E1.5 million in damages.

Mother of QC tipped persistent for bench gets second driving ban

BY FRANCES GIAA LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

A OUEEN'S Counsel destined to sit as a High Court judge was banned from driving for five years and given a suspended four-month prison sentence yesterday for his second drink-driving offence in six years.

James Bonney QC, who was sentenced yesterday by magistrates at Lytham, Lancashire, had initially failed to stop when signalled to do so by police. Bonney, 47, who earlier this year had been selected as a deputy High Court judge. was found to be almost four times over the legal limit.

Bonney's previous drinkdriving conviction was in May 1990 at Manchester when he was banned for 18 months.

truant escapes fine EDUCATION officers were angry yesterday after a court failed to fine a mother whose

nearly two years. Lewisham Council in southeast London had tried to make an example of 40-year-old Simone Westlake. Three months ago, she became the first parent to be ordered to escort her child to and from the school gates when magistrates deferred sentence. Yesterday a progress report for Greenwich Magistrates' Court showed that her son Alan, 14, had turned up at Hatcham Wood Secondary School, Brockley, on 11 days out of 66.

The magistrate. David Cooper, said that little more could be done and gave the mother a six-month conditional discharge. The offence carries a

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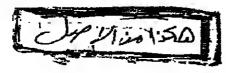
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His defence said he now faces disciplinary proceedings before the Bar Council. Since the offence Bonney has not worked and not consumed alcohol. A psychiatric report stated that at the time Bonney was on the verge of a nervous breakdown with pressure caused by his daughter's illness and his workload. The magistrate, Michael Wenman, said he was concerned about the possible effect of an immediate fail sentence on Bonney's health

and his family.

maximum fine of £1,000. Adrian Beeby, a council spokesman, said: "We were hoping for a heavy fine. Truancy levels dropped after publicity surrounding this case." Mrs Westlake had pleaded guilty to failing to ensure her child attended school under the 1993 Education Act. The lone mother has two daughters who are single parents. and helps to look after her grandchildren. She claimed the council had not done enough to prevent bullying.

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HOME NEWS

Giant of a man was as big a concern to his family as those he had frightened since his schooldays

Wild, unkempt figure who cast a deadly shadow

By KATE ALDERSON

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WHEN Howard Hughes was arrested for Sophie Hook's murder, many in the tight knit community of Colwyn Bay were in no way surprised.

The oft 8in figure was a familiar figure to residents of the North Wales seaside resort, hurtling about on his mountain bike in his scruffy denims at all hours, his hair unwashed and greasy, his rotrweiler dog Bryn often at his side - a malevolent presence amid the carefree holiday atmosphere

Young girls were nervous of walking home alone and Hughes regularly frightened children on the sea front. He had convictions for petty theft and his closest adult friend. Michael Guidi, was a convicted paedophile. But despite complaints from local people and years of observing Hughes, there was little Llandudno police could do.

Hughes was as big a concern to his respectable family as to others. His father Gerald Hughes is an engineer and a prosperous and respected businessman who runs a family contracting and quarrying firm. Howard and his older sisters Karen, Laura and Heather lacked for nothing.

When Howard was born on June 9, 1965, Mr Hughes and his wife Rene were delighted at the arrival of a son. But it soon became clear that all was not well with the boy. He was very tall, reaching 6ft by the age of tl. and doctors diagnosed a chromosomal abnormality called XYY syndrome. He was slow educationally, his progress hampered by dyslexia, but according to a medical report by Gwynedd Health Authority he was not

assessed as mentally ill or subnormal He was referred to child counsellors for difficult behaviour. Mr Hughes said: "He was emotionally insecure and

abhorrent of criticism." His father paid for him to attend a

THE MURDERER defunct Lindisfame College at Ruabon, near Wrexham, rejected him without explanation after two terms in desperation Mr Hughes offered the headmaster double the normat fees to keep him

on, but was turned down. One of his contemporaries said: "He was always in fights with people much older than Everyone was terrified of him. He was a weirdo - but he wasn't a loner. He always had an entourage of lads around him who were proba-

him.

bly terrified of him. "He was always killing things such as small animals and birds, and he always used to carry a big knile around. From what t heard, his parents were terrified of him as well."

When Hughes was to he was sent to St Andrew's Hospital, Northampton, under a Mental Health Act order that Gerald Hughes felt obliged to sign. While he was away, Mr and Mrs Hughes's 28-year marriage failed and the couple divorced in 1986. Last year Mr Hughes married a woman who worked for his company, When Hughes was released from hospital after a year he lived rough before returning to live with his mother. Personal hygiene problems cast him adrift from others. For weeks he would wear the same clothes. His teeth had fallen out because he never brushed them. His diet consisted of 20 Mars bars a day, because he could bite on

cola. Hughes acquired 17 convictions over 19 years, mostly for theft and burglary. Over the years, allegations of his threatening behaviour towards children became increasingly serious. In 1981, when he was 16, he half-strangled a sevenyear-old boy, Graham Llpyd, and escaped with a two-year

supervision order. succession of private schools. His victim had been lured have see When one of them, the now into a half-demolished house. or five.

"He picked me off the ground and threw me down - he was a very strong man," Mr Lloyd, now a student in Nottingham, said. "He wound up astride me with both hands around my neck." Mr Lloyd started to black out and pretended to be dead until Hughes left.

Lorraine Haste, who lived next door to the Hughes family home, said: "He would shout abuse when I was in the garden, disgusting things, tt got so bad we built an 8ft fence at the bottom of the garden to keep him out and put tall gates at the front of the garden to stop him coming in the front way. It was like living next to a wild, unpredictable animal." The garden adjoining the back of Hughes's home be-

longs to Liz Ketly, who became afraid to let her six children, aged between six and 17, play near the fence. Once her 11year-old daughter and a friend were planning to sleep in their summerhouse. The girls were in the chalet, chatting and giggling, when Hughes banged on the walls shouting and swearing. The girls ran indoors.

In 1986 he was accused of indecently assaulting a nineyear-old girl but her parents were unwilling for the case to go ahead. In 1990 he was accused of indecently assaulting two girls, aged five and three, at Llandudno. The case was dropped by the Crown Prosecution Service because of the girls' young age.

After Hughes's arrest for Sophie's murder, police found pornographic equipment and literature at his home, much of nothing hard, and five litres of it relating to children. He would cut out pictures of children naked or in their

underwear. He shared the secret of his crime. obsession with young girls with Guidi, 32, who was befriended by Hughes when he was 13 and who stayed with him and his mother for three months after coming out of prison. Guidi said Hughes confided to him a desire to have sex with a girl aged four or five.

THE detective in charge of complaints after Hughes had the murder inquiry said yesbeen arrested for Sophie Hook's murder. "I would not terday that he was satisfied that there was nothing the police could have done that would have stopped Howard Hughes committing the Detective Superintendent Eric Jones of North Wales Police said that Hughes had

been closely watched since 1981, but added: "I am quite happy in my own mind that everything that could have been done was done." He said the police did

like to speculate as to whether, had those people come forward earlier, he could have been arrested and taken before the courts. "It can be very, very frustrating at times." He said that Hughes had been very astute and sharp during his interviews, and

confirmed that police already had their own intelligence on him. "You will, no doubt, now know that Howard Hughes

did make complaints of police

THE POLICE

close attention that was being paid to him." He pointed out that there

Hughes scared neighbours and brought death to nearby Llandudno, where Sophie returned with ber family to visit her cousins' home

were a considerable number of convictions against Hughes since 1981, adding: "There are other matters that we could not proceed upon because of the lack of evidence."

Mr Jooes was asked about incidents during the previous three years in which teenagers and younger children

cannot act. He was interviewed after all those approaches to children. "In some cases the parents

insufficient evidence to take before the court."

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ever, there is no victory here for anyone. Nothing we say or do will bring back that little

"The sad thing about this is that the Hook family will have to live with this forever and oothing can be done to help them."

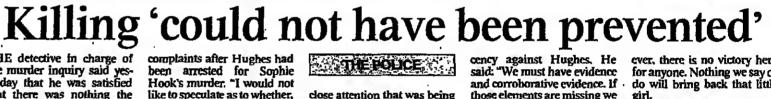
Mr Jones paid a special tribute to Hughes's father, Gerald, who came forward to give evidence of his son's private confession to Sophie's murder as he was being held in a police cell. "It was a very brave thing for him to do and

cency against Hughes. He said: "We must have evidence

and corroborative evidence. If those elements are missing we

did not want us to cootinue with complaints. In one case it was adjudged that there was

Mr Jones, who led a team of 120 police officers in the investigation, said: "We are



receive a great number of harassment because of the had made allegations of inde- Howard Hughes ... how- it was the right thing."

'The one time she needed us most we were not there'

BY KATE ALDERSON

JULIE HOOK said of her daughter Sophie: "No child could ever have received or given more love."

Yet after Howard Hughes broke through the curtain of love and protection that surrounded the child, her parents tortured themselves with the thought that they were not with her at the moment she needed them most.

Mrs Hook, 35, a part-time teacher, spoke of the guilt that consumed her and her husband Christopher. 38, an ad-vertising sales executive. "We both feel very, very sorry that the one time she needed us most we were simply not there. My mother feets guilty for buying the tent. Danny [Sophie's uncle] feels so guilty because he didn't sleep in the tent with them, so it isn't just us feeling guilty. That feeting will never go away." Mr and Mrs Hook had

moved with their children from Llandudno to the village of Great Budworth, 70 miles away in Cheshire, 18 months before the murder. They have two other daughters, Jemma, 9, and Ellie, 2t months, and a son, Joseph, 5.

Neighbours spoke of a warm, happy family. Sophie was the most extrovert of the children. "She was a bubbly and vivacious girl, a rea Shirley Temple character with her brown curly hair and round face," one neighbour recalled.

The family kept in close touch with Mrs Hook's sister, Fiona, and her husband, Danny Jones. The Joneses also had four young children, who would regularly be visited by their cousins for "sleep-overs".

That Saturday. Sophie's cousin was celebrating his ninth birthday, and Mrs 5 Hook brought her children to join in the fun at a garden

party and barbecue. The Jones's E200,000 home in Llandudno has a large back garden, shielded from the overgrown bridle path to the rear by a hedge and a gate. It was the perfect spot for a carefree afternoon in the paddling pool and playing in the tent that Pearl and Paul Roberts had bought as a birthday present for their grandson. ping from the pathway, listen-

THE FAIRING AND A

Christopher and Julie Hook at Sophie's funeral with their children Jemma, Ellie and Joseph

Mr Jones returned from

Later Sophie, her elder sis-

The boy was to tell police that it had been his idea to camp ing to the children's excited chatter about their camping out, to test his new tent and the adventure. sleeping bag Sophie had bought him. When Mrs Hook Mrs Hook took one of the Jones children and two of her own back to Cheshire. The left, no decision had been families planned to meet the taken about whether the childnext day in Chester, when the ren would be allowed m stay holiday weekend would be completed with an outing to out, but it was a matter about which she would have had no more qualms than her sister the new Batman film.

and brother-in-law. To the children it would work that evening to find the seem like a big adventure, but party in full swing. He lit the to camp in this apparently secure garden would have caused the most careful parent barbecue and built the children a bonfire near the entrance to the tent.

little concern. "I knew it was a possibility, and I felt fine about that," Mrs Hook said later. "I kissed them goodbye and said, 'f'll see you tomorrow." She could not have known

that Hughes had spent much try to scare us. But we weren't of the afternoon eavesdropscared I told them it was my dad." After Mr Jones went into

the house the children played games and had a midnight feast. But soon after midnight, they went to find Mr Jones. They had been telling each other stories about the ghosts that they said haunted the old tramlines criss-crossing the field beyond the bridle path and the younger boy had become upset. He stayed in the house but the others returned to the tent, where they were settled quietly when Mr Jones made his last check at 12.45am.

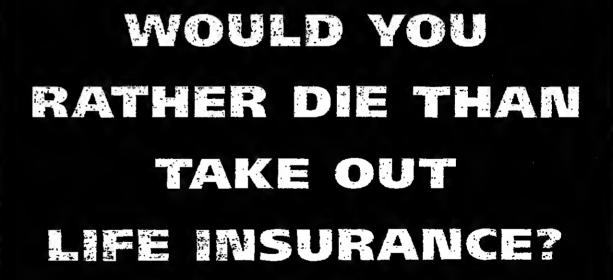
In the morning, when the two Jones children awoke, they knew at once that something was wrong. Sophie was missing, and this was no game of hide and seek. Mr and Mrs Jones made a swift search of the area and called the police. A child's naked body had already been found on the beach a few hundred yards away, and it was not long before the family's fears were confirmed.

in the days of anguish that followed, their dignity and courage was apparent. Mr and Mrs Hook made two television appeals for help to find their daughter's killer. Mrs Hook told how Sophie's elder sister, Jemma, was suffering most. "She is totally and utterly distraught. We are encouraging her to talk about Sophie, about things we have done recently. She is saying all the things I say - not to her - such as, 'I want to go to heaven to be with Sophie."

") protected my children so much. They were not allowed to cross the road on their own. They were never allowed to go anywhere on their own. If not me, there was always someone very close. If Sophie fell off her bike, f was always there to rub her knee and say, 'It's all right, honey.

At Sophie's funeral a single bell tolled. Mr and Mrs Hook wanted the service to celebrate their daughter's life, and their other children were dressed in bright clothes and carried ter and two of the Jones boys posies of wild flowers.

settled down in the tent. Sophie's nine-year-old cousin Jemma wrote a poem which recalled: "Daddy did up the tent and then he went round was handed to mourners: Sophie, my precious little the back and lifted the tent to sister, I am missing you dearly ... All the happy times I spent with you and will spend with you, I enjoyed and will enjoy."



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Thousands dying as bacteria become immune to drugs

By JEREMY LAURANCE, HEALTH CORRESPONDENT

THE growing number of bacteria which cannot be treated with any existing antibiotic may cause a global health crisis, an international group of scientists said yesterday.

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Diseases which could have been cured a decade ago are now killing thousands of people worldwide because new strains have developed multidrug resistance. For millions more parients, standard treatments are failing to work as resistance grows. But no new antibiotics are expected this decade and few early in the 21st century.

A three-day symposium on antibiotic resistance, organised by the CIBA foundation, an independent scientific charity. in London, was attended by 25 scientists from nine countries. They heard that the over-use of antibioucs world-wide has irretrievably altered

A MYSTERY surrounding a hormone that could hold the

key to obesity has been solved

by scientists (Jeremy Laur-

ance writes). Researchers had

been puzzled by the action of

leptin, a protein made by fat

cells which carries messages

to the brain about the body's

fat levels and tells it to stop

eating. The hormone, and the gene

called ob that makes it. were

discovered in December 1994.

In mice, defective production

of leptin - from the Greek word leptos meaning thin -

results in gross obesity. Stud-

ies of buman beings, how-

ever, have shown that obese

Baby given

meningitis

by pet lizard BY MICHAEL HORNSBY

ment. Professor Julian Davies of the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, said: "Over the last 50 years, we have been involved in an incredible experiment. Tens of billions of pounds of annibiotics have been released on this planet. The globe is bathed in a dilute solution of antibiotics. You might expect all microbes would have been killed. But they have not been killed, they have become resistant."

Professor Stuart Levy, director of the centre for drug resistance at Tuftes University. Boston, and chairman of the symposium, said: "Multidrug-resistant bacteria are increasing, patients are failing therapy and some are dying. That would have been unheard of ien years or even five years ago in some cases. The

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Scientists solve puzzle tious disease but as recent events have shown, that was of obesity hormone

tuberculosis, pneumonia and septicaemia have made a comeback. "Infectious dispeople have high levels of leptin in their blood rather eases have a habit of emerging and re-emerging and we have to be prepared," he said.

to the brain is not getting The problem was less serious in Britain but would grow Now scientists at Jefferson unless measures to prevent it were taken now, the scientists Medical College. Philadel-phia, have found that there said. They appealed for more

may be a limit to the rate at which leptin can travel from the blood into the brain and that this rate may be lower in obese individuals, explaining why they overeat.

It may be necessary to find some other signal that will activate the brain's weightcontrol centres, the researchers report in The Lancet.

responsible use of antibiotics. "Physicians often inappro-priately prescribe antibiotics and people stockpile them and

do not complete prescribed courses, all helping bacteria to learn how to survive. Antibiotic misuse accounts for more than half all the antibiotics prescribed in the developed world," the scientists said.

shows we are facing a crisis." In the United States, 8 to 12 per cent of pneumococcus bacteria, which cause two million cases of pneumonia, 75 million ear infections and 3,000 cases of meningitis each year, are multidrug-resistant and patients have to be given a powerful antibiotic vancomycin. "We are one antibiotic shart of being unable to treat them," Professor Levy said. Dr Mitchell Cohen. director

of the division of bacterial diseases at the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, said there had been a break-down in public health mea-"We have become complacent about infectious diseases. In 1969, the US Surgeon General said we could close the book on infec-

BY RICHARD DUCE DETECTIVES investigating the murders of Lin Russell and her six-year-old daughter yesterday issued a likeness of the man who could be their killer.

The E-fit picture is based on a further sighting of a fair-haired man acting suspiciously near the spot in rural Kent where Mrs Russell, the wife of a botanist, and her daughter Megan were bludgeoned to death with a hammer over a week ago. Dr Shaun Russell yesterday told his daughter Josephine, 9, who survived the anack, that Megan and Mrs Russell had been killed.

"She has now been told that her mother and sister are dead and we think she can comprehend that because of signs she

showed when the news was broken to her," Detective Chief Inspector David Stevens said.

"Josie is now doing brilliantly. It is amazing to think that last week she was at death's door. She cannot talk, but doctors hope she will regain her speech and we are still hoping she will be able to provide us with some clues."

The latest description of the suspect is based on the evidence of a woman who was stopped at a police roadblock and remembered seeing the driver of a beige car who braked suddenly at a junction close to the murder scene in Chillenden on Tuesday afternoon last week. Her description tallies with that of another witness who saw an agitated man dump a white string bag in a hedge. The bag was

belonging to the Russell family.

anti-static strips hanging from the back. "This man could certainly be the perpetrator. If he is not, we would ask the driver to come forward as he must be an

The man is in his 20s or 30s, with short light-coloured hair with a fringe. He has fair skin and was wearing a red T-shirt. Josephine suffered multiple skull fractures in the attack and doctors have told Dr Russell, 44, that she may have permanent speech and mobility difficulties. The killer struck as Mrs Russell, 45, was walking the children home from the neighbouring village of Goodnestone.

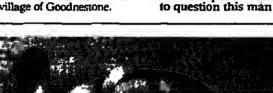
extremely important witness."

Likeness: police want

Soldiers from the Parachute Regiment searching the area yesterday close to the place where Mrs Russell and her daughter were murdered Police seek car driver in double killing









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Parents warned

By JEREMY LAURANCE

PARENTS who choose to give DOCTORS have called on the Government to issue health their babies soya-based infant formula milk should seek medical advice about the warnings of the risks to young children from pet reptiles after a baby girl was given menin- risks, the Government said

characteristics in females and the feminisation of males. Sheep grazing on clover containing high concentrations of the chemical have suffered an

premature." Potential killers such as

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fact that we are losing any patients with multidrug-resistant disease who would have been saved a few years ago

gitis by a lizard. Guy Makin, registrar in paediatrics at the Children's

Hospital (Sheffield), said: "People need to be made aware of the dangers of keeping these types of animals as pets, particularly if they have young families." The six-weekold girl was referred to the hospital six months ago with fever and nausea, which was diagnosed as meningitis. She recovered after being given antibiotics.

The girl had been infected with a strain of salmonella -Solmonella durban - associated with reptiles and rarely found in humans, which she is believed to have caught from droppings from the family's pet monitor lizard. Dr Makin said salmonella normally infected only the bowel, but in the very young and elderly it could get into the bloodstream and the membrane around the brain.

yesterday. A committee of independent scientists appointed by the Health Department has said that phytoestrogens found in soya-based infant formulae can, in certain situations, behave like a very weak form of oestrogen, the female hormone. In animals this has caused fertility problems. The Committee on Toxicity of Chemicals in Food, Consumer Products and the Environment says there is no evidence of damaging effects in humans.

Phytoestrogens are a natu-

rally occurring plant chemical found in peas and green beans as well as soya beans. Japanese and Chinese people who eat large quantities of soya show no sign of ill effects. However, oo the basis of the animal studies, the Government is urging caution. In laboratory studies. phytoestrogens have caused male

says these children should continue to be given it. A small number of vegans and others who wish to avoid cows'-milk products choose to feed their babies the soyabased version. These are advised to consult their GP or health visitor so they are aware of the risks. Last month the Food Advisory Committee recommended that, as a precaution, baby-

infertility syndrome.

About 1 per cent of babies

are fed soya-based infant for-

mulae, most on medical ad-

vice because they are allergic

to cows' milk. The committee

food manufacturers should look at how to reduce phytoestrogen levels in their products. The concern over phytoestrogens is separate to that relating to another oestrogenlike chemical found in some baby milk in the form of phthalates which have also been linked to infertility.

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Caesar's invasion fleet sought by sonar in the Solent's mud

BY NICK NUTTALL RUSSELL JENKINS AND NORMAN HAMMOND

A SEARCH for ancient wrecks, including the remains of Julius Caesar's invasion fleet, has been launched by scientists using advanced so-nar able to "peer" through mud, it was disclosed yesterday.

Researchers from Southampton University and the Hampshire and Wight Trust for Maritime Archaeology are mapping the sea bed in the Solent, a major seaway since primitive times. Professor David Peacock, an archaeologist at the university, said yesterday that the sonar, called Chirps, had already discovered a structure under muds in Langstone Harbour. Hampshi

The find is in the same area where members of another team --- who belped to find Henry VIII's flagship the Mary Rose 30 years ago ---announced this week that they had discovered what they believed to be a Roman ship up to 15 metres long, a mile off Hayling Island. They were using a more primitive sonar that can ideotify shapes in the

The Mary Rose diving team is hoping to revisit the wreck next month to get a chunk of Britons watching on July 8.



Don Bullivant with an artefact from near the wreck

wood for carbon dating. A 54BC, close to the spot where small piece has been subject to tree-ring dating but Don Deal stands today. The Roman general brought with Bullivant, from Waterlooville, him a formidable maritime Hampshire, one of the divers, fighting machine of 800 ships. said that the first sample was including 600 specially conof poor quality. It has con-firmed only that the wood is structed transport ships, 28 warships and a large number of privateers carrying five legions of infantry and 2,000 more than 500 years old and not of British origin. During Caesar's invasion of Britain, some of his ships cavalrymen. It is not known which ship Caesar chose to sail on, but it

were lost in a storm, and some could have been blown to-ward the Solent. Professor is likely to have been specially constructed, largely by con-script labour, near Boulogne, Peacock said: "The chances of his point of departure two finding one of these would be days before. Powered by both remarkable.'

The armada must have sail and oar, the ships were been an awesome sight to much wider and lower in the beam than similar vessels of

the time, to ease beaching. It was not until AD43 that a maritime Roman invasion force brought conquerors to stay. Emperor Claudius sent an army of four legions of infantry and cavalry estimat-ed at 40,000 men. The force, designed to silence Claudius's critics, even boasted Sephants. The Classis Britannica, the

Roman British fleet, dates from the end of the first century. A naval fleet is to have aided known Agricola's military push up the east of Scotland as far as the Tay, in northeast Fife, in BIAD. Ships were used to convey supplies.

Archaelogical finds have established that the naval fleet enjoyed a substantial presence in the South of England. Tiles with the names of Classis Britannica have been found in Sussex showing a large amount of naval activity off the south coast. If the Hayling Island find proves to be of Roman date, it will add

to the scanty remains of actual ships that have survived from antiquity. Commander Brian Sparks,

of the Trust for Maritime Archaeology, said that the Solent was a fascinating region of sea bed to study. It was once an estuary with primitive Bronze Age and

earlier settlements along its banks. He said: "About 10,000 years ago, there was an inun-dation of the sea between the Needles and Poole Harbour which breached the river system and formed the Solent as we know it.' There was a further inunda-

tion of sea water into the area in the 13th and 14th centuries around Hayling Island. Since Roman times, sea levels have risen by about three metres, further flooding the land. So it is believed that the area is littered with wooden objects, including wrecks, jetties, har-bours and primitive build-Professor Peacock said:

"We are looking at the Solent because it is one of the richest areas for ancient wrecks, as if was a major seaway to Britain. But we hope it will also be a buried landscape with all sorts of items preserved because of the mundation of Francis Grew, of the Muse-

um of London, pointed out that a Roman wreck was found on reclaimed land near Blackfriars, at the mouth of the Fleet. He added: "Any discovery of a Roman wreck is important because so little archaeological evidence exists."

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They came, they saw, they sank: a sea-going Roman ship with a barge alongside



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of York new potatoes 75p for

Irish back Scots in French whisky war

BY AUDREY MAGEE, IRELAND CORRESPONDENT

THE Scots and the Irish have Burrows, chairman and manjoined forces to defend whisky against a weaker, cheaper imitation from France. The Irish Government is backing the Scotch Whisky Association in the European Court in an attempt to stop the French from selling a blended whisky spirit as the genuine article.

The French version, produced by La Martiniquaise, is 30 per cent alcohol. The European Union minimum for the genuine article is 40 per cent. The French drink costs about £1 less because the lower alcohol content means less duty and tax. Richard

informative;

aging director of Irish Distillers, claims the French are misleading customers. They call their product whisky spirit', and that is the nub of the problem which the

court is seeking to address. They present it in exactly the same shape and size as regular Scotch and Irish."

Campbell Evans, of the is a very important market for Scotland. We have to protect it as the French protect champagne producers."

Scotch Whisky Association. welcomed the Irish decision to back their challenge. "France

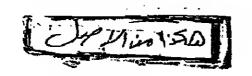
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Labour leaders split over call to end Tube strike

BY JILL SHERMAN AND JONATHAN PRYNN

THE Labour leadership was split yesterday over Tony Blair's demand for London Tube workers to call off their strike

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John Prescott, the deputy party leader, was furious about the tough line taken by his Shadow Cabinet colleague David Blunkett on Wednesday, which had been agreed with Mr Blair. Robin Cook. the Shadow Foreign Secre-tary, also appeared unhappy about the change of position when he gave a radio interview yesterday.

In the Commons John Ma-jor and his MPs exploited the disagreement. The Prime Minister said: "Mr Blunken said the strikers should go to arbitration and that self-evideaily must be right, I hope we will hear the same call from the Shadow Transport Secretary [Clare Short] and whe deputy leader [Mr Prescont), himself sponsored by onc uf the striking unions."

Mr Prescon, who is spon-sored by the RMT, told Mr

Blair early on Wednesday that told not to give radio ur telehe opposed the statement that vision interviews on the strike. the strike was "inappropriate" Donald Dewar, the Chief and that the parties should go to hinding arbitration. Whip, was said to be unhappy

with Mr Cook's comments. Last night Mr Prescott de-Mr Blair's aides took a step nied any rift with Mr Blair. further and said that the but he was still said to be very Labour leadership conangry about the decision. demned the strike. They The leftwinger Ken Living-stone. MP for Brent East, insisted that Mr Present was emphasised again that the two sides should go tu arbitration but said that they were not be scraped off the wall". Michael Meacher, the Shadsuggesting compulsory arbitration for all strikes. One aide said the Post Office strike was ow Employment Minister. a different matter and Labour was also said to be angered by did not wish to get involved. the stance against the strikers. Union leaders dismissed the toughest taken by the Mr Blair's calls for binding party in recent memory. arbitration in the dispute as Mr Cook toed the Shadow "pointless" because London Cabinet line, but only just. Transport had already made Asked whether he supported

pledges to its drivers that it Mr Blair's view on the Tube was now trying to renege on. Lew Adams, the general secretary of the Aslef union, strike, he said: "Mr Blair has made his position perfectly clear." When pressed, he addsaid: "We have honoured our ed: "As a member of the Shadow Cabinet I share colpart of that agreement and the dispute is about the fact that lective responsibility for any-London Underground have not honoured theirs." More than 2,000 Tube driv-

hours after leaving home. Gavin McWhinter of AA Roadwatch said: "Despite an early start - the rush hour began as early as 5.30am -millions of would be travellers

seven years.

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routes, many of which resembled giant car parks." The worst tailbacks were seen on the M25, MI, M3, M4. M23, A4 and A3, with traffic also locked snlid on major inner-London routes such as Bayswater Road and Oxford Street.

ers from the Aslef and RMIT unions are staging a series of nne-day strikes in support of a demand for a one-hour cut in the working week. Much of central Lundon ground to a halt yesterday morning as hundreds of thousands of commuters struggled to beat what was the nearest to a total shutdown of the Tube for Motoring organisations said many drivers going to work were still trapped in traffic at llam, three or more faced major delays on major HE'S GOTTA TICKET TO RI-1-IDE

Peers to challenge authority of MPs

By JAMES LANDALE

THE House of Lords will lautch a rare challenge to the authority of the Cummons next week with a new assault on the Government's minigration legislation.

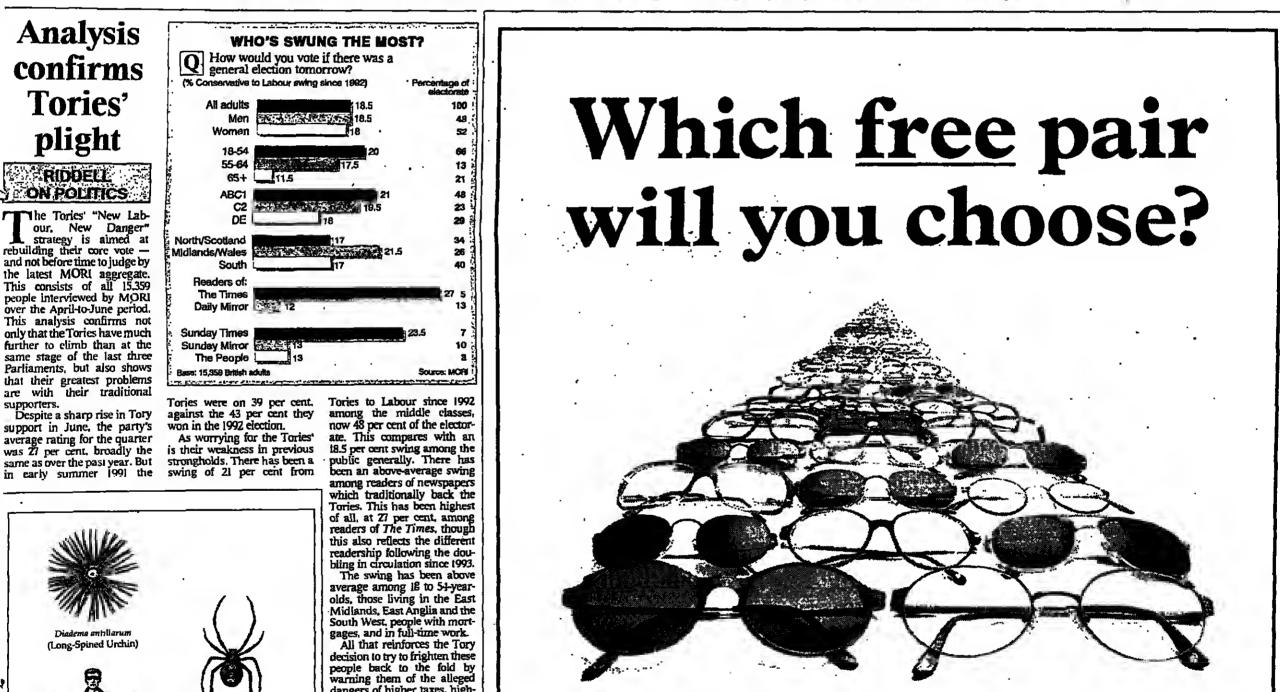
An alliance of Opposition peers and bishops will try to reverse a decision by MPs this week to reject a Lords aniendment to the Asylum and mmigration Bill.

The move, known in Westminster as playing legislarive "ping pong", tends to occur only once or twice every decade. The Lords accept most Commons amendments on the ground that MPs have an electoral mandale.

The Lords amendment, introduced by Labour with the support of many Tories, would have given asylum seekers a three-day "grace period" after their arrival in which to claim refugee status and avoid becoming ineligible for welfare benefits.

The Opposidun will now table a new amendment to the Bill when it goes back to the Lords on Monday, Many peers fear that asylum seekers could be left destitute.

The last time the Lords pinged" legislation was in 1993. Under the procedure, both Houses "ping pong" the Bill back to each other until neither is prepared to alter its amendments. The Bill then falls and after a delay of a year the Government has to force it through the Lords by invoking the Parliament Act.



Fronibenchers were later Dozens of Tory associations found lacking as party raises £1.4m

BY ANDREW PIERCE

DONATIONS from Tory supporters in the constituencies have risen sharply as the general election nears but the total is still way below the level enjoyed during Margaret Thatcher's leadership.

Payments to Conservative Central Office by local associations

totalled ELI million last financial year, which was £33,000 down on previous year, but a further E300,000 was sent to the Critical Seats Club. The quota target was almost £3 million.

thing any of us say."

The Tory party, whose finances are bolstered by more than £3 mil-lion of loans from the constituencies, is planning an appeal to the

surers hope to convert the loans, which can be recalled at any time, into donadons to ensure a big fighting fund for the election. For the fourth year running dozens of associations, badly affect-

wealthiest associations. Party trea-

ed by falling membership, have failed to contribute a penny to Conservative Central Office. Others

sent amounts of less than £20. One of the biggest embarrassments was the failure of Peterborough, the constituency association of Brian Mawhinney, the party chairman, to send anything.

Other conspicuous non-contributors included Old Bexley and Sidcup, Sir Edward Heath's association, and Reigate, Sir George

Gardiner's association, which is one of the wealthiest

Witney, where the former For-eign Secretary Douglas Hurd is MP, made no contribution, nor did Teresa Gorman's Billericay associadon. Ilford North, where the MP is Vivian Bendall, sent £4. The best performance was by Aylesbury Conservatives, whose

MP David Lidington is parliamentary aide to Michael Howard, the Home Secretary. They were set a \$9,000 target but sent £84,000. The financial year for the Tories ended with the party's overdraft down to just over £2 million compared with £11.4 million at the

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end of 1994-95 and almost £20 million the year before.

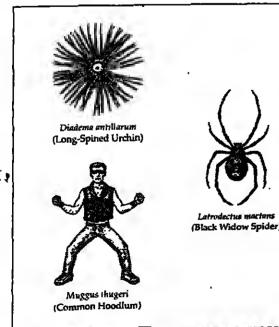
people interviewed by MORI over the April-to-June period. This analysis confirms not only that the Tories have much further to climb than at the same stage of the last three Parliaments, but also shows that their greatest problems are with their traditional supporters.

support in June, the party's average rating for the quarter was 27 per cent, broadly the same as over the past year. But in early summer 1991 the

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dangers of higher taxes, higher interest rates and the like under Labour.

ther lessons are drawn out by Robert Worces-ter of MORI in the latest British Public Opinion newsletter. His guess, also mine, is that the election will be on May 1. As he notes: "MORI's latest polls show that the 'football feel-good factor' lasted only a few days and that the Economic Optimism Index, the 'economic feel-good factor', has not done much to help the Tory share either." He forecasts that Labour will have

an overall majority of about 40 following the lowest turnout since the war as a result of high abstentions by former Tories, a Liberal Democrat resurgence to win 35 to 40 seats, and voters "cherry-picking new Labour candidates over old-style socialists". I am less sure about the latter point. but most ominous for the Tories is his emphasis on the think a party is united and capable of governing, or split and preoccupied with infighting. That is where the public's view of Labour and the Tories



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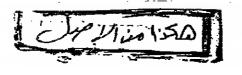
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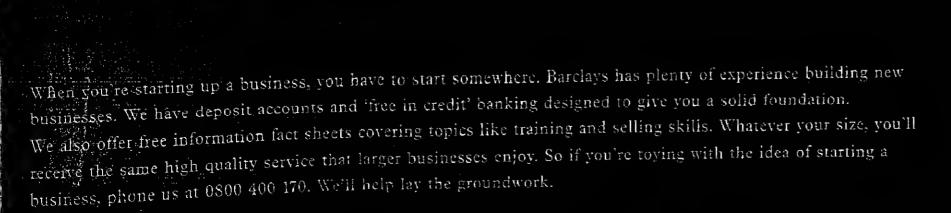
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OVERSEAS NEWS

KGB opts for hard sell of its greatest moments on CD

FROM OWEN MATTHEWS IN MOSCOW

THE KGB has broken a 70year code of silence with the release of a slick, interactive CD-Rom depicting the defec-tion of Kim Philby, Guy Burgess and Donald Maclean as one of the great triumphs of Soviet intelligence,

Yuri Mogin, the case officer who handled two other traitors, Anthony Blunt and John Cairneross, appears chatting amiably about my friends

from Cambridge". The history is by the Foreign Intelligence Service (SVR) formerly the First Directorate of the KGB. The most revealing section concerns atomic spying in the 1940s, when Soviet agents within the topsecret Manhattan Project informed Stalin of America's nuclear capability months before he was told by President Roosevelt at the Yalta Conference in 1944.

The hour-to-hour vacillations of Khrushchev during the October 1962 Cuban missile crisis are also partly explained in the history, which cites a barrage of conflicting



Burgess: "patriot to the Soviet Union's ideal"

data from agents in the US about America's readiness to ngage in nuclear war. Opening with a Carre-esque video sequence of a black Volga Sedan cruising through the double steel doors of the former KGB's espionage di-rectorate at Yasinovo to the strains of Tchaikovsky, the CD-Rom history is a hi-tech, cross-referenced compilation of video interviews, docu-

ments and archive film. Colonel Mogin, now in his eighties, says: "Our contacts [in British intelligence in the 1950s and 1960s] were a golden period for us. What the British kept secret even from the United States was not a secret to us. These people were not traitors so much as patriots to the ideal of the Soviet Union. These were dedicated people. really think they promoted peace in our times.

But for all the apparent frankness, seekers of bombshells will find the account is tantalisingly incomplete. George Blake, the KGB spy who defected to Russia after

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peace in our time'

escaping from prison in 1966. is not mentioned at all, and the issue of spying on the US in the recent past is ignored, as is the topic of Soviet defectors. 'An intelligence service has

to keep some things secret, by definition," said Colonel Mikhail Lyubimov, Copenhagen bureau chief of the KGB in the late 1970s and the former boss of the defector Oleg Gordievsky. "We are still much more open than our colleagues at [the CIA headquarters at | Langley."

"Our aim was to reveal as much as possible without harming the service's reputation or national security," said Major-General Yuri Kobaladze, head of the press department of the SVR. Though we still have a kind of ideology, the philosophy of the intelligence service has changed significantly in the past few years. We are now prepared to admit some of our

mistakes, and talk about our history frankly and openly." In the interests of posterity, or perhaps public relations,

the obsessively secretive service allowed researchers extensive access to classified files and film material, releasing previously unpublished docu-

the SVR more than a year ago in conjunction with a Russian CD-Rom design company. A committee decided which documents could be declassified for the account

General Kobaladze said: We are not ashamed that we want good publicity. In London and Paris you can find hundreds of books on intelligence."

Gun lobbyists 'betrayed by Dole' FROM TOM RHODES IN WASHINGTON THE National Rifle Associyears ago, which outlawed the

ation threatened yesterday to withhold its presidential endorsement of Bob Dole after he decided not to oppose a ban on assault weapons Thousands of telephone

calls, letters and faxes have arrived at the association's headquarters from members who said they felt betrayed by Mr Dole, the Republican nominee who would have expected support from the

Last week, Mr Dole issued a warning that if elected he might veto any repeal of President Clinton's assault weapons ban, enacted two use of 19 types of semiautomatic firearms.

What he has done is turned off NRA members from being ments by Mr Dole." active campaign workers in his election," said Tanya Metaksa, the group's chief Washington lobbyist. "NRA

Boy, a 26-year-old Indian elephant at Kiev Zoo, lies sedated yesterday while veterinary surgeons from Ukraine and

Colchester Zoo, Essez, fill an infected, fractured tusk. The surgery lasted most of yesterday. As soon as Boy was tranquillised, the team put oxygen tubes up his trunk and began treatment. The tusk should regrow.

members don't just vote; they are campaigners, they walk precincts, they make phone calls, they stuff envelopes, but I doubt they'll be active now."

The group will not vote on its endorsement until September but Ms Metaksa said that it was unlikely Mr Dole would be approved. "President Clinton is the most anti-gun Presi-

and investments have dedent ever to occupy the White clined by more than half to \$42.8 million (£28 million). House, But our members are disappointed and disillu-The Oklahoma City bombsioned with last week's stateing and the shooting tragedies in Dumblane and Tasmania

Four years ago, the group refused to endorse President Bush for re-election because he had failed actively to oppose the Brady Bill, the impo-sition of a five-day waiting period to buy a handgun.

political clout on Capitol Hill With a membership of three where 200 Republican House million, the association has members voted this year to been a potent force in Amerirepeal the weapons ban. However, Mr Dole, cager to dis-tance himself from the can politics but numbers have dwindled in the past two years and, according to figures reorganisation's radical image. may feel that he no longer leased at its annual conference, the association's cash needs its support.

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Huge Tiger attack on troop base

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colombo: Helicopters yesterday dropped commandos near a military base, 175 miles north of here, besieged by thousands of Tamil Tiger rebels in one of the biggest battles of Sri Lanka's 13-year civil war.

Desperate soldiers had called in planes, helicopters and artillery support after waves of guerrillas broke through the Mullaittivu army camp's defence lines shortly after midnight, military officials said. Most of the base, with 1,200 soldiers, was said to be in rebel hands. Reinforcements were also arriving by sea. (AP)

Fijian ban on embassy essays

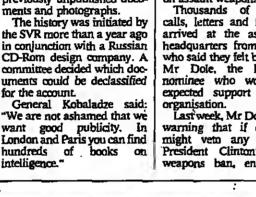
Suva: Fiji's Government has banned a school essay competition organised by the British Embassy because it says the contest disregards political sensitivities. The topic was: How will your future be affected by Fiji's Constitution? A commission appointed to review the Constitution is expected to table its recommendation to President Mara at the end of this month. (AP)

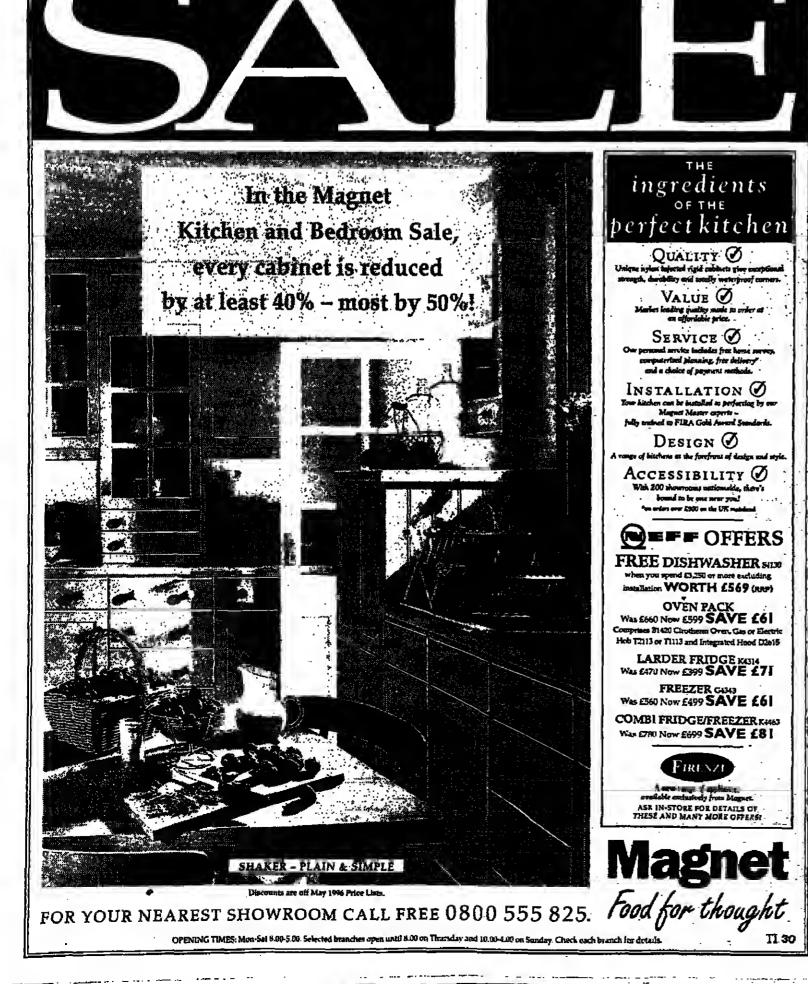
Eta suspected in barracks attack

Madrid: Three grenades were that supports the Second Amendment right to bear arms. But it still wields much launched against Civil Guard barracks in the northeastern Spanish town of Puente la Reina but there were no injuries. The suspected Eta attack, the third against paramilitary barracks in the area this month, coincided with the departure of the Tour de France from the Navarre region. (Reuter)



British soldier is killed in Bosnian shooting incident BY STACY SULLIVAN IN ZAGREB AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF





FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN BRUSSELS

AUNG SAN SUU KYI, the Burmese democracy cam-paigner and Nobel peace laureate, called in a smuggled video yesterday for international sanctions to be imposed on Burma to bring pressure on the Rangoon military

regime. "What we want are the kind of sanctions that will make it. quite clear that economic change in Burma is not possible without political change." Daw Suu Kyi said in the appeal, which was shown to members of the European Parliament. "I think that the only people sanctions will; affect are the privileged ones," she added. The video was filmed by

Vicky den Ouden, a Dutch ournalist, who said she had found Daw Suu Kyi "under tremendous pressure, includ-ing emotional pressure" from the Burmese authorities.

Presenting the video to the parliament in Strasbourg, Glenys Kinnock, the British MEP, criticised the European Commission and European Union ministers for failing to take action against Rangoon for fear of damaging European interests in the region. She said the Commission had evidence of forced labour in Burms and urged it to act. Although Britsin, France and the United States are reluctant to adopt sanctions, pressure is growing for action. Denmark is leading the drive, spursed by the death in police custody in Rangoon of James Nichols, who served as honorary consul there for several

A BRITISH soldier serving ty (SDS) would probably be with the peacekeeping force in banned from Bosnia's elec-Bosnia-Herzegovina died of tions in September.

appear to have damaged the

credibility of an organisation

gunshot wounds yesterday. Major Brett Boudreau, a The ban, which was called for by Robert Frowick, the Nato spokesman, ruled out the involvement of any of American head of the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe which is responsible for organising Bosnia's postwar elections, could throw the peace process Bosnia's former warring fac-tions. The incident occurred in the west of the country. More than 30 soldiers in the 50,000strong Nato-led peace force have died since taking over from the United Nations last into its deepest crisis.

Mr Frowick said he would prohibit the SDS from participating in the elections if Dr Karadzic did not leave the public stage by today. Preelection campaigning has been postponed on account of Dr Karadzic remaining as party leader. The Dayton accords forbid those indicted for war crimes from holding public office or participating in the elections.

Mr Holbrooke, who was whisked away from his Wall However, officials at the Street investment banking Office of the High Representafirm in a last-ditch effort to tive, run by Carl Bildt, said the salvage the faltering Dayton peace accord, said this would Bosnian Serbs would probably boycott the elections if the mean that Dr Karadzic's na-SDS were banned. "If the SDS tionalist Serb Democratic Paris banned, there will be no elections,"

Mr Bildt has stepped up diplomatic efforts to unseat Dr Karadzic over the past few weeks, and has been able gradually to sideline the Bos-nian Serb leader by forcing him to relinquish his duties to a deputy.

However, the Americans and others insist that as long as Dr Karadzic remains on the political scene, he will use his influence to undermine the Dayton accord. The Muslimled Bosnian Government has threatened to boycott the elec-tions if Dr Karadzic is not removed from all positions of influence.

GIs given a pregnant pause

FROM IAN BROOLE IN WASHINGTON

European nations.

THE code oame of Operation Joint Endeavour for the peacekeeping mission in Bos-nia has taken on an extra meaning for up to 70 of America's women soldiers. They have all been sent home for getting pregnant. They were declared medi-

cally unfit because the heavy. equipment hamesses worn by American troops in Bosnia poses a health risk to preg-mant soldiers, the Pentagon said yesterday. America's troops in Bosnia endure a ban on alcohol but not on sex. The drop-out rate for mothers-to-be was greeted with scorn in Washington by members of Congress and conservative activists who question the wisdom of allowing women into frontline posts. Robert Dornan, the hard-

line Republican chairman of a congressional committee on security and personnel, promised to hold hearings on the pregnancies. He said: They had better not be advising these women to have abortions."

The armed services were naive to throw sexually active men and women together in close quarters in an isolated place, according to Robert Maginnis, a former Pentagon. inspector-general who is with the Family Research Council. He said that many soldiers use pregnancy as B way of evading unpleasant duty. "If you are uncomfortable sitting

in the mud, feeling bored, getting fed up, unhappy with the food, all you have to do is find someone, get pregnant and you are back home."

The pregnancies, according to Mr Maginnis, were just the tip of the iceberg. "Even generals do it," he said, adding that the readiness of a few women to engage in sex created tensions that affected

Other experts said officers have known since the Guide War, when pregnancies emerged as a safe ticket home. that sex in the ranks hurts effectiveness. But they said commanders were unable to do much to curb it, given the Clinton Administration's emphasis on promoting sexual equality in the armed forces,

a unit's military efficiency.



December.

Meanwhile, Richard Hol-

brooke, the American envoy,

said he expected to return

from his latest round of shuttle

diplomacy without assurances from President Milosevic of

Serbia to depose Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb

leader wanted for war crimes.

Karadzic his party may be banned from poll

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Bail appeal defeat means French rail chief will be fired

FROM ADAM SAGE IN PARIS

THE corruption scandal that is haunting France took two new turns yesterday, with a decision in remand in custody the head of the state railway company and the arrest of the Mayor of Cannes.

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Loik Le Floch-Prigent, president of the SNCF railway network, will lose his job after he failed in an appeal against the decision to remand him in custody in connection with an alleged financial scandal. Bernard Pons, the Transport Minister, said before the hear-ing that M Le Floch-Prigent would be replaced if he remained in prison.

Frederic d'Allest, director of the Lagadère arms-to-telecommunications group, is favourite for the post, according to Le Monde

Michel Mouillot, the Mayor Cannes, was taken in for police questioning over claims by London Clubs, which runs a casino in the Cote d'Azur town, that he demanded Fr3 million (£385.000) in return for a licence to install slot machines. The money was allegedly desrined for M Mouillnt's re-election campaign. Alerted by the company, a

French police surveillance unit was present as M Mouillot allegedly told a director to hand over the cash to a 46year-old man at the Ritz Hotel in London. The man, who was known to French detectives as

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a drug trafficker, was arrested by British police. M Mouillot denies the accusations.

Yesterday's court ruling concerning M Le Fluch-Prigent represents a double embarrassment for the Government, which gave him the job last year when it knew that he was suspected of irregularines. The left-wing opposition will argue that his appointment shows that ministers are soft on corruption.

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million.

M Le Floch-Prigent is under

investigation for alleged irreg-

ularities during his ome as head of Elf-Aquitaine, the oil

company. He is accused of

pumping Fr800 million of Elf's money into Bidermann,

the textile group, which was

run by a friend. In return, he is

alleged to have received per-

sonal favours worth Fr2.5

M Le Floch-Prigent denies

all the charges. If M d'Allest is front-runner

for a notoriously difficult job,

other names have been men-ooned by the French press.

These include Louis Gallois,

the president of Aérospanale,

Alain Gomez, the former head

of the Thomson television-to-

arms group, and Jean-Paul

Bailly, head of the RATP, the

Paris Métro network.

The Transport Ministry must also act quickly to ensure that the new SNCF president takes up a key programme designed to head off damaging conflict with unions. M Le Floch-Prigent was given the post after railway workers took a leading role in the public sector strike movement which crippled France last December. He had recently persuaded the Government

Chirac urges Congo forward

Brazzaville: President Chirae of France yesterday urged the Congolese people to contribute to the building of a "consensual democracy, tailored to Af-rica" in the West African country, addressing the Coogolese parliament oo a visit bere. (AFP)

Jackson surprises Mandela FROM INIGO GILMORE IN JOHANNESBURG

Or Minisa

MICHAEL JACKSON, the pop star, made an unexpected appearance at President Mandela's 78th birthday party yesterday.

Jackson, who is visiting South Africa before staging and unions to accept farreaching reforms that inconcerts in the country in volved the state paying off the September, suprised the Pres-SNCF's massive debis in reident, who was spending the turn for productivity gains, morning with his family at a ators gave a warnfriend's mansion in Johannesing that, unless his successor burg. There were unconwins the confidence of union firmed reports that the star leaders, further strikes are sang for Mr Mandela. On his arrival Jackson said

In its judgment yesterday, he was "proud to be home" the Paris appeal court gave its and later laid a wreath at a backing to Eva Joly, an invescemetery in Soweto in honour ligating judge, who said that of students killed in the 1976 the president of the SNCF could put pressure on other witnesses if he were freed on uprising. He hugged children, blew kisses at the crowd and said he loved them.

One resident said: "It is just a publicity stunt. You can't call him a black brother. Some people say he is black but others say he is white."

FROM TOM RHODES IN WASHINGTON THE Voice of America, the broadcasting concern which prides itself on accuracy and independence, appeared to have developed something of a

sore throat when graced by the presence of Hillary Clinton yesterday. Long before the First Lady

TTA appearance to be pleas-

ant. This should help on people oinside America, a memorandum had been circubudget ... Says TTA questions must focus on Hillary trips lated around the VOA offices abroad only ... Geoff firm no questions on Whitewater, healthcare, Paula Jones, Travelgate, Vince Foster etc will be taken from callers."

Mr Cowan said yesterday he remembered instructing his staff that questions should have an international focus but denied that he had issued an edict on forbidden territory. The hint of censorship to

ensure the financial security of the VOA, however, caused embarrassment at the organisation. Republicans, who have targeted the agency as profligate, were sharpening their knives to question the implications of Mrs Clinton's

appearance. Her office said no ground rules had been set for the interview but agreed with the suggestion that callers should be confined to a discussion of her international travels.



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FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN CAIRO

BINYAMIN NETANYAHU, Israel's Prime Minister, yesterday convinced a scentical President Mubarak of Egypt that he was sincere in pursuing peace, despite a hostile reception here. On his first official visit to the Arab

world. Mr Netanyahu was left in no doubt of the grassroots anger provoked by his hardline approach, but he was unexpectedly rewarded by Mr

Mubarak with an unscheduled military helicopter flight over the pyramids in recognition of his pledge to keep negotiating with the Palestinians.

Mr Netanyahu announced that next week David Levy, his Foreign Minis-ter, would hold the first Cabinet-level meeting with Yassir Arafat, the Palestine Authority president. He also pledged to partially lift the West Bank blockade and allow 10,000 Palestinian Ahrar, said: "The birds fly away to workers a day back into Israel. They avoid smelling your hated fragrance." have been barred since February's

Islamic suicide bombs. The Israeli leader faced unprecedented media attacks here. Newspapers made offensive play on the Arabic pers made ontensive play on the Arabic meaning of part of his name, translat-ed as "stinking". The biggest-selling opposition daily, *al-Wafd*, carried a crude cartoon depicting the Egyptian President holding his nose as he shook Mr Netanyahu's hand. An editorial by Muntenha Beldy I Editorial by Mustapha Bakri, Editor of the daily al-

ft is sometimes hard to remember that we have had a peace treaty with these people for the past 17 years," said one Israeli journalist flying on the Prime

Minister's plane. Mr Mubarak later told reporters he was convinced that Mr Netanyahu was not as bad as he had been painted. "When I met him, I had a clear picture about what could happen, a clear picture that he is going to go through the peace process. He is ready to negotiate here and there."

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Michael Jackson is met at Johannesburg airport yesterday by Khoisan X, second left, of the militant PAC

Hillary 'shielded by radio to win funds' Accord on show aired to millions of

global warming

FROM PETER CAPELLA IN GENEVA

POLLUTION from burning fossil fuels is being blamed for global warming after a majority of ministers from 60 industrialised and developing countries yesterday endorsed a study which has concluded that human activity is the key cause of climate change.

The commitments to stronger anti-pollution measures, announced at the United Nations conference on the Climale Change Convendon. brushed aside resistance from oil-producing countries, as well as strenuous lobbying by US companies linked to the energy and motor industries.

More than 154 countries have ratified the UN Convention. They will be free to decide what measures to take to reach future pollution reduction targets, once these are decided on at a conference in Kyoto, Japan, late next year.



President Mubarak describing yesterday's talks

jects were off limits.

was due to arrive at the Washington headquarters for Talk to America, a phone-in

The document, leaked to The Wall Street Journal, recounted a recent staff meeting with Geoffrey Cowan, director of the government-funded org-anisation and a close friend of President Clinton. "Geoff wants Hillary's VOA visit and



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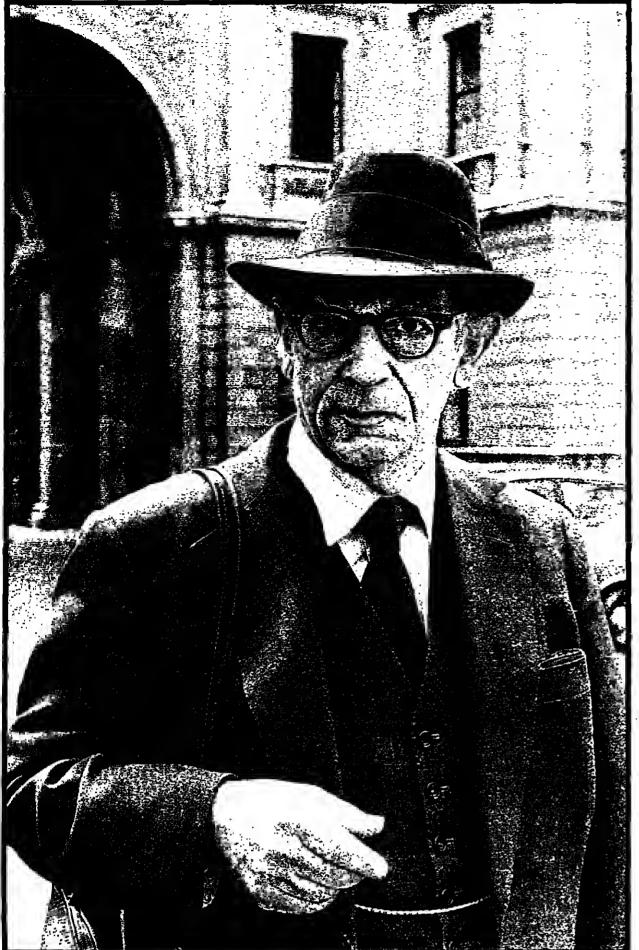
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At 86. Sir Isaiah Berlin says: "I, too, am afraid of dying. Like everyone else, I would like to die in my sleep"

THE TIMES FRIDAY JULY 19 1996

Why I do not regret lying to my father about life after death

do not believe in a world after death. I'm not against it. I'd rather like to think that there is a world after death and that we shall all meet in it people we love. But I don't believe it, because I see absolutely no evidence of it, and no reason for believing in it. It is just a comforting idea for people who can't face the possibility of total extinction.

We didn't talk about death only if it's painful. Like everyone else, I would like to die in at home. I do not recall my parents ever talking about it. I my sleep. Or be knocked down think my father hoped that there was a future life. In fact, by a car and not feel it. I'd like the lights put out at once. I when he was dying, he asked me if I thought there was don't want to get more and more, tired or have a long going to be life after death. I painful illness. I wouldn't like said that yes, I did. That was a that a bit. If I was very ill and I knew I was dying, I would like euthanasia. I'm in favour of it. lie. A lie. which I uttered because he obviously wanted it to be so and hoped we'd be I don't know why people are able to meet again, and I didn't left to suffer when it's quite want to tell him what I saw as clear that they can't go on living. People say God gave us the bleak truth. So I did not tell the truth, and I don't in the least regret it, Since I believed life and it is not ours to dispose of. If you believe that, this that nothing would follow one's death, why should I argument follows. I don't believe it and therefore I think cause a dying father pain? I it is cruel not to terminate wasn't there at the actual people's lives if the alternative is a long period of useless, inevitable suffering. moment of his death, and I don't know whether he knew he was dying. He died of leukaemia, but I don't think he had ever heard the word. I don't think he thought he was doomed. He felt weak and ill and may have thought he might be declining, but hoped when I'm going to die. I've lived so long and I'm aston-ished I'm still alive. I really to recover.

It is clear to me that you can't have everything; because some values collide. The idea that there is some world in which there is perfect justice. perfect love, perfect truth, perfect happiness, is not valid. Some of these things are simply not compatible with others and that is the true of our life here. One has to choose. In choosing one value, one thing or another, sometimes you may lose something else which you value. That's what choice entails. Therefore,

In his 86th year, Sir Isaiah Berlin talks to Anna Howard about the beliefs that have shaped his life and why he is frightened of dying

Where death is, you are not. What is it that you fear?" I, too, am afraid of dying. But ing. It is a thought, but it doesn't linger with me. I wouldn't like to be told

when I am going to die. That would feel like a pressure upon me, of a disagreeable kind. I live from moment to moment. I don't want to say "three more years, and whatever you can do, you've got to do within that". I don't want to know I'm due to die --- it's the last thing I want to know. I used to dwell on the past a

great deal, when I was younger. Before the war, for example, I thought about the past much more than I ever

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thought about anything else. find it very surprising. I never thought I'd live to this age. For some reason, since the war When I was young, I'd never - maybe it was after marriage - I haven't thought about it in met anyone who was 80 - I'm 861 The first time I met people the same way. Isthink about of 80 was in All Souls College the past, because I remember in Oxford in the 1930s. There it. I remember it because a were two old men there. They man is writing my biography were ancient monuments! and he keeps asking me Most people didn't talk to questions. So I try to rememthem, they seemed remote from daity life. Old men to me ber. But on the whole, I don't dwell on the past. Nor on the were academics of 65, at most. future. I think about the 67, for example Gilbert Murpresent. And not much about that - I just go on living. Living, acting, seeing, talking, ray, and H.A.L Fisher. Warwho are still alive: Stephen Spender, who died the other day, was my exact contempo-rary. I knew him as an undergraduate in Oxford. I don't think he brooded about. death - well, he must have done because he was ill towards the end of his life and he must have had thoughts about it. In fact, one of his doctors was cruel enough to tell him that he didn't think he'd live very long. But he didn't talk to me about that. We behaved if everything was normal, as i we would live for ever.

Ana

uden must have thought about death, because he became a Christian. He could be very amusing at times on the subject. "I will tell you," he said, "what I think purgatory is like" (Catholics believe in purgatory, but he believed in it too because he was basically Anglo-Catholic). "It is like this: you are locked up in a room with somebody whom you have utterly despised all your life. Not just hated, that would be easier, but despised, couldn't bear to be with, held in the deepest contempt. When you've learnt no longer to despise him or her, and begin to love this person, then you

I remember that Bertrand Russell, who was of course an atheist, when someone asked him: "Mr Russell, supposing after you die, you find there is another world and you meet God - what will you say to him?" Russell said: "I would say - well, why on earth didn't you give better evidence of your existence?"

I wasn't married until quite late in life and I thought / would never marry, that nobody would wish to marry me. I assumed that I was not attractive to women. So I never approached them as others did, and that might be a little

are let out."

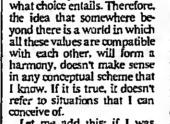


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Let me add this: if I was asked whether I would mind living for ever — most people say that they would not — 1 think I would not mind living for ever, always provided that whatever powers there be could guarantee the following: if I could retain one hand, one arm. one leg, one ear. one nostril, a sense of smell, taste, touch, some mental power, and did not have to suffer great pain - if I was guaranteed all that, and believed in the guarantee, I wouldn't

If I was very ill and I knew that I was dying, I would like euthanasia

mind living on and on. I'm by

nature an observer. I am filled with curiosity and long to know, what next?

I've never seen someone at the moment of death. My father died in hospital; the doctors said he would go on living, and then I was rung up and told he was dead. My mother lived to a great age, and, again, I asked the doctor if I ought to be in London with her, might she soon die? No. I was told, she'll live at least another year. She died that night. So I wasn't present when either of them died. I saw my dead father in his bed. when t had to go to the hospital to arrange for the death certificate. I had grown up with him, he was a very nice man, he was very fond of me, he didn't interfere with my life, we always got on very wel with each other, I liked his company, he liked mine - and he was gone. I was very, very fond of him, devoted to him. And terribly sorry I'd see him no more.

About fear of death. The Greek philosopher Epicurus said something which I accept: Why are you afraid of death? Where you are, death is not.

den of New College, who had been a Cabinet Minister under Lloyd George. Eighty-six is very old. Too old, some people would say. But I feel perfectly well: I ve just had a pacemaker and feel bener as a result. I don't know when I shall die. but I'm astonished not to be dead already. Astonished and delighted! When I go to bed at night now, I say to myself that I really ought to be very pleased if I wake next morn-

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old. But only in the sense of wondering

hearing, reading. I'm not very self-conscious. Nor have I ever been ambitious; I have never aimed at something in the future. I'm simply telling you what I'm like and there are probably millions like me. The people I meet aren't obsessed with death, as far as I

know - at least, they don't talk to me about it. Particularly my contemporaries. There are some people of my own age

abnormal. But in the end, it all happened. Late in life. My wife is 80 and we have lived together very happily for 40 years. We still do.

I have known very little missing in my life - I feel at once slightly ashamed and yet happy about this. I've had a fuller and more contented life than I probably deserve.

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Matthew Bannister is custodian of BBC radio's crown jewels. How well will he care for them?

over Birmingham, where the Radio Academy convened this week. The BBC has at last found a man who can communicate without sounding like a dyslexic Dalek or a bullying prop school master. Matthew Basthister, the new Head of Radio - Liz Forgan's replacement - managed to put across the BBC's case with a confident baritone delivery; brisk,

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emphatic and convincing. When he was given the job last month, the Disgusteds of Tunbridge Wells protested on

Eight years ago he was just station to another. We all about to move from Capital to GLR when a terrible blow struck. His first wife, Amanda Walker, a BBC journalist, drowned while swimming in the sea on holiday on the Costa Blanca. Bannister was playing with their small daughter Jessica on the beach when her body was brought ashore. "It was a traumatic time," he said. He had to fling himself into his new job, which was run-ning GLR. Happily, he found a new

gravitate to a station according to age and need. "Audience reach" is a spurious goal. You don't get the young to graduate to Radio 4 by grafting on regional voices, any more than you will persuade us Radio 4 types to enjoy Chris Evans. Yes. We shouldn't try to reach out by doing things that are out of nature and character with the service." he said. But we can commission new ideas which might bring people in. Radio 4 comedy like On The Hour, which spawned



Feedback that "the man who formerly ran Radio I, a station played by mechanics in garages, had been given the crown jewels". And wasn't he the man who had axed the ageing disc-jockeys on Radio 1. "the station your mum lisiened to over a cup of cocoa", and installed the odious Chris Evans?

Bannister wears the tough expression that comes naturally to one with eyes on the piggy side and heavy jowls. He is 39, stockily-built; his hair curls over his collar. But he is no Yahoo. '

To begin his speech entitled "Tomorrow" he used a hoary but effective ploy. He read out newspaper headlines such as Opposition mounts in BBC to new programme plans". from The Times, and extracts from news stories such as "Grievance and resentment run deep at Broadcasting House ... conflict between cost-con-

scious bureaucrats and those innocent people who say they just want to make pro-g mmes" - and then revealed that these were all from January 1970: when the BBC chiefs announced that the Home Service and the Third Programme were to be re-placed by newfangled Radio 4

and Radio 3. No change at the BBC happens without enraging both its staff and the public. Three years ago 1 was at the same Birmingham radiofest. to hear Mark Tully's blast against the BBC and against John Birt's managerial communications, "so chillingly formalised and systematised". ngendering "a sense of fear". It has been clear in the years since that more than half the rage and fear is caused, ironically, by bad presentation and inepi communication.

Hence the general confidence inspired this week by Bannister's first appointment. James Boyle as new Controller for Radio 4. Boyle has that reassuring Scots voice, and immediately endeared himself even to Radio 4 vigilantes with his Today phone-in. Asked what was the abiding characteristic of Radio 4. Boyle cannily replied "intelligence".

Bannister, unlike his predecessor, is a born-and-bred radio man. He read law al Notingham University but got "the Drama Society third". having spent all his time on the stage. Afterwards, he took a dogsbody apprenticeship at Radio Nomingham at £3,000 a year, progressing from rock shows and religious programmes to presenting a current affairs breakfast show.

than 1 am", an EMI vice-president who travels the world. They have a son-Joseph. six, and live their fast-track life from a house in North Kensington, with an elderly live-in nariny named Lydia and a cottage in West Sussex to

escape to at weekends.

wife, "even more high-powered

THE VALERIE GROVE INTERVIEW



He was brought up in Sheffield (hence Birtian vowels and his pronunciation of Radio Won), the eldest of three sons of a British Steel research chemist who was also a radio comedy enthusiast. So he grew up with the Goons and Round the Horne.

> e does not have to be told that the BBC's Radio 3 and 4 audiences are sensiove, critical and resistant to change. As with renaming pubs, any tampering with schedules makes people feel amputated from their pasts. Recent débàcles over Gerry Anderson (the wrong voice for Radio 4) and Paul Gambaccini (wrong for Radio 3) have proved the pow-er of the listener. Which is as it should be: radio, of all media. is the most intimate. Bannister understands that unique relationship. He says he has no plan to change Radio 4's abiding aura of well-researched, crafted and authoritative pro-

grammes. But Bannister also defends his assertion that Chris Evans is "the most talented entertainer operating in British broadcasting today". I sampled Evans yesterday and could not endure for more than five minutes the manic you-don'thave to-be-mad-to-work-here-

but-it-helps atmosphere. Yes, he has had to give Evans wiggings about taste and decency, but he waxes lyrical about Evans's "instincrive broadcaster's ability to invent fantasies, events, ideas from nothing". I thought I should warn him

about the fatuity of trying to wean listeners from one BBC believing it.

Alan Partridge, brought in new talent - and new listeners.'

The point about the five BBC stations is that a listener knows almost instantaneously whether a programme sounds right for the station. People have instantly discovered that Goodness Gracious Me - a sharp, witty Asian comedy show — is dead right for

Radio 4, while Cross Questioned, a dire panel game with a giggling Caroline Quentin in the chair, is emphatically not. "Look, we are having these

conversations all the time," Bannister said. "Some new ideas seem pretty ropey at first but you can work on them. We have the wonderful security of public funding. It takes time to know whether a radio show works." But if they had heeded listeners' immediate and visceral reactions, it need not have taken so long before they put Gerry Anderson out of his

misery? He said they had to give it time and do proper research first.

"It's like coming into your own house and finding someone has moved the furniture around. It is disconcerting. But if you persevere, it may just be that the sofa is now in a better position to see the view from the window."

Radio listeners' stormtossed existence is not over yet. Yesterday John Birt faced a parliamentary grilling about the World Service. Bannister - whose remit does not include the World Service insists that the hue and cry within Bush House is abating: Tony Hail's eloquent speech to the academy had converted everyone. The job of radio chief,

Bannister is discovering, is to allay fears. "Bi-media does not mean putting television programmes out on the radio," he explained to his audience. "It just means our broadcasters have the exciting potential to broadcast in either medium, which only the BBC can offer."

Broadcasting House, "a building we all feel emotional about", will not be "full of accountants". "When news and current affairs move into TV Centre, BH will still be full of programme broadcasters from Radios I, 2, 3 and 4."

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Grilling the Peter Brooker whizz-kids of Whitehall

Ministers mustn't hide behind officials, says Sue Cameron

The "kids" who wrote the Treasury report leaked to The Times this week are mature enough to be aware that Whitehall is about to find itself in the eye of a constitutional storm. Mandarins are going to find it harder to keep their secrets secret - especially from inquisitive MPs. That is why the report proposes a pre-emptive bid by Treasury officials to improve contacts with the chairmen of Commons select committees. The House of Commons

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may be about to reassert itself against the executive, in a move that could set the leaders of both major parties against backbench MPs. The reformers want to make named civil servants directly answerable to MPs under certain circumstances - notably when the Government machine is being accused of misconduct, misjudgment or maladministration. They believe senior officials and the chief executives of government agencies should answer to Commons select committees without ministers having an automatic right to gag them or to stop particular civil servants ap-

pearing at all. For years governments have insisted that officials can give evidence to select committees only on behalf of their ministers and under their direction. It is a rule that has never been endorsed by the Commons. It means that ministers can forbid officials to answer awkward questions from MPs, or ban named civil servants from appearing before select committees altogether -- as they did after the Westland fiasco and again when the Trade and Industry Select Committee started looking into the Iraqi Supergun affair. On the latter occasion, the Government's refusal to allow two retired officials to appear was con-demned by Sir Richard Scott as a "failure to comply fully

with the obligations of accountability to Parliament". It was the Scott report on ex

advertising such a finding, which meant that the committee's recommendations on Whitehall also went largely unreported. Yet these were of "We have no quarrel," says

the report, "with the principle that civil servants give evi-dence on behalf of their ministers, subject to an overriding obligation not to provide untrue or misleading answers. However, it is not a necessary consequence of that principle that ministers have complete freedom to determine which questions civil servants may answer, even when the reason for refusing to answer is only departmental or ministerial embarrassment."

suggest that the Commons should specify the reasons it is questions - such as national introduce a vital additional check on the power of the executive, making it harder for unscrupulous or incompetent ministers to hide. The Public Services Committee is expectt reports later this month.

ment is against any such change, on the spurious ground that it would reduce the accountability of elected ministers to the Commons. But what of new Labour? Surely the party of constitutional reform must favour more vigorous Commons controls over the unbridled power of government? Not so. Tony Blair and his Shadow team are every bit as conservative as John Major and his ministers. Senior Labour people trot out exactly the same threadbare arguments about ensuring that elected ministers, rather than unelected officials, are accountable to the Commons.

benchers think differently. The Trade and In-

Labour's Martin O'Neill, ac-

cepts that while ministers

must be accountable for every-

thing that happens in their de-

partments, they cannot be held

responsible for things that are



Not only are London's bridges falling ondon Bridge is falling down, falling down, falling down, London Bridge is fall down — the entire infrastructure ing down, my fair lady. I

is collapsing. And as for Pisa

is what the Road Federation man says it is:

... the findings clearly show that structures designed for another age cannot meet the needs of a modern capital. This situation only serves in highlight a London-wide problem of growing demand being placed on in-creasingly decrepit infrastructure. It is a sinution which will worsen in the future if remedial action is not taken. It is impossible to plan either for the long or short term with a transport infrastructure that is in an unreliable or even dangerous condition . . . it has been discovered that as the tide rises and falls and river-bed materials shift, the centre of the Rotherhithe annel is ends remain in fixed positions. Though heavy protective pads have been sunk over the tampel, the stresses threaten to rupture the ageing tubing, which dates from 1908.

This takes the visitor a specified distance from the Tower; the visitor stands as if beside the Tower with hand outstretched; the vendor steps back and clicks his camera; when the visitor sees the picture it looks exactly as though he had been holding up the Tower

But someone will have to hold up the Tower. It is one of the oldest monuments in

Italy. Charlemagne came here, to what was a truly great city. It began in the 11th century, and the Pisans continued to add to their prize with great mosaics and bronze doors, frescoes, a beautiful baptistery, a a cerne

one Paolo Heiniger with his idea. There is talk of giant electrodes planted deep into the earth beneath the Tower, and 750 tonnes of lead

have been put in. But that is not the only tower with troubles. When the Venetians' greatest tower, the Campanile in San Marco, collapsed at the start of this century, it had endured for a thousand years, easily beating the Pisans', but of course Venetians can never leave well alone. There was a thunderous argument as to whether it should be rebuilt as it had looked for a millennium or whether the space should be left clear, opening space should be left clear, opening more of the plazza, or even whether to rebuild it in another place. The dovera, comera army (where it was, as it was") won easily. There are more leaning towers they even incide think is Varies itself

than you might think; in Venice itself there are dozens that are at least a bit wonky, and one - S Giorgio dei. Grechi - that really makes newcomers nu away puts it: "It started to lean as soon as it was built in 1592, and has always been a source of anxiety.")

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True sports fans want to be on the side that's losing

The big match between Ian Botham and Imran Khan in the High Court is providing a midsummer entertainment. There is no point in complaining that it is childish. As friends say, the only difference between men and boys is the price of their toys in this case the cost of the lawyers. One finds oneself in the unique and embarrassing posture of shouting for the lawyers on both teams. May their fees be huge (not that they need our cheers to secure that). But it is difficult to know whom else the cheer for in this international the unsporting spirit. And may whoever wins never be called to bat again.

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I always fail the Tebbit Test. I do not see how anybody who enjoys cricket could not have shouted for India in the recent series. They had the one player of genius in Tendulkar. But Canguly also played his strokes with wit and style, and though Kumble was underbowled, a leg-spin bowler is so much more interesting to watch than our dreary intimidators. The Indians played as though they were enjoying themselves - literally, for sport, Our grim professionals never looked as though they were having a good time, except when Cork indulged in unpleasant playground triumphalism when (on the rare occasion) he took a wicket.

The hard professionals of English cricket, down the order from Atherton and Stewart back through Gooch and Gatting to Boycott (who is much more fun now as commentator than he ever was as the most boring and selfish opening bat in the history of the game) have been hard to cheer for. Gower, the only recent English player to make batting a pleasure rather than a profession, was f_y^{y} course dropped for not taking the game boringly enough. Nat-turally we cheer for Sri Lanka, who bat as though they would risk their lives for a perfect cover drive, rather than the cautious

abour and Tory back-

The committee goes on to

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willing to accept for civil servants refusing to answer security. Such a move would ed to make a similar call when Predictably, the Govern-

don't want to worry you, but whoever coined that jingle wasn't far off the mark, particularly because the nursery rhyme has another, even gloomier, version, viz., that Westminster Bridge is broken down; it has been worked on for a long time, and I don't know if they have got it right. Earth hath little to show more depressing than those eternal roadworks, Oh yes, London's bridges are falling down, falling down, falling down, London's bridges are falling down, my fair lady. Worse; there is considerable evidence that Tower Bridge itself will shortly slide quietly into the Thames, which would certainly bring sorrow to lifelong Londoners like me and all

ustry Committee. Chaired by

ports to Iraq that started calls for change, for it insisted that ministers must make "the best first-hand evidence" available to investigating select committees. Often that means civil servants, not ministers. Much of the time, ministers are happy for their officials to speak freely to select committees. The trouble comes when the Government has something to hide. That is when ministers want to gag officials. But now the cry for reform

has been taken up by the mandarins' own trade union, the First Division Association. The association is concerned because the Scott inquiry showed how easily civil servants can be blamed for wrongdoing or incompetence, even though they have no opportunity to defend them-

selves publicly. Already the Trade and In-dustry Committee has spelt out the shortcomings of the present system in its latest report. The main finding of the report which covered export licensing and the UK-based company BMARC, was to clear the former Treasury and defence minister Jonathan Aitministers are to escape blame, ken of any misconduct. Those then MPs must be able to sections of the press which had cross-examine civil servants been baying for Mr Aitken's freely, in order to find out blood were none too keen on where the blame does lie.

civil servants."

done in their name but which they know nothing about. Without examining the internal workings of a department, it is likely to be difficult or impossible to ascertain where a minister's personal responsibility ends," the MPs say. "Select committees cannot leave it with brand new playhouses and to ministers to determine that point, since whenever anything has gone wrong, ministers will have a strong interest in minimising the area of their personal responsibility. The doctrine that accountability and responsibility are separate therefore requires that

select committees be able to take evidence from named Ironically it is the Government itself that has been the chief exponent of the idea that accountability and responsibility are quite different matters. But the Government. whether it be Tory or Labour, cannot have it both ways. If

I am not loking now. Tower Bride is one of the most ridiculous but splendid buildings ever put up in London or anywhere else (it is exactly 101 years old) and the traffic on it is shaking it to pieces. For some time, there has been a good lot of patching and stitching, but a firm of engineering works has been called in to give it the once over, and heads have been shaking gloomily. (There has also been a lot of pie-in-the-sky; who started the rumour that there was going to be a wonderful area around Tower Bridge, filled

those visitors who never got here.

(No, dear, Madame Tussaud's would

not be an adequate substitute.)

concert-halls?) Who (I wouldn't be surprised if it was Ted Heath) gave the whistle for the giant 12-wheel korries that have destroyed most of our great cities' roads? And that is no exaggeration, for I have proof; I never learnt to drive, and I suffocate in the Tube, so the London taxi-men feast on me, and once upon a time I could read the newspapers as I went. No more.

I come back to Tower Bridge. The expert engineers say that if the volume of traffic thundering over that mighty but loony edifice continues. the great bridge will last only ten years, or 15 at best. And the same experts tell us that the Rotherhithe Tunnel (which is getting on for the same age as the Bridge) will dle just as the Bridge does. How could it be otherwise when there are 35,000 vehicles going over the Bridge every day and 30,000 similarly going through the Tunnel? The grim truth

Dear reader - would you be quite apocryphal; he didn't say "Eppur si happy going regu-

larly through a tunnel beneath the water which is constantly lifting and settling ond which dates from 1908? That's nothing The grim truth is

that the entire infrastructure upon which we live is sinking. When last measured, it was found that the entire Palace of Westminster is two millimetres lower than before: true, two millimetres are hardly enough to get John Major drowned, but beloved Big Ben himself has sunk three millimetres deeper. But "Daftest Bugger of the Month Rosette" must, surely, go to the London Under-ground spokesman who said, The problem we are finding is that the historic buildings in Westmin-

ster just aren't as well-built as the modern ones." Ah, but what about the Leaning Tower of Pisa, eh? We have all seen pictures of il, and many of us have been there. Those who go there are invariably cornered, most genially, by the sellers of guide-books and nuts for the birds, but for a few more lire they can enjoy the Great Tower Joke.

fiction are at hand.

Left out?

day Express.

IS Derek Hatton planning to bring

his unique militant approach to new Labour? I ask because the

Liverpool firebrand spent an eve-

ning deep in conversation with

a couple of Tony Blair's top team of Labour MPs at a party thrown on Wednesday by the Sur-

Hatton said he was done with

"I know Di and Fergie are

here somewhere

tery. And then, the very last item was built - a bell tower. And that bell tower is the Leaning Tower of Pisa. Galileo was born in Pisa, but almost all the stories of him are

muove", though he certainly thought it; he didn't throw Bernara stones off the Leaning Tower to demonstrate his theorics. But you see, the Leaning Tower began to lean early in its life. Fall or no

fall, the Pisans' great monument has already stood for more than seven hundred years, and if it falls now, it can be proud of itself.

I must have been one of the last to climb that wonderful tower, because in 1990 it was closed to the public the danger was too great. Mind you, when I did climb that staircase I came down trembling: the famous tilt has an extraordinarily powerful oull: going towards the outside (there is nothing to hang on to) I thought I would be thrown over the edge. Incidentally, is it true, as I have heard, that no one has committed suicide by throwing bimself off the Leaning Tower, by contrast with the substantial number of suicides from the Eiffel Tower?

But hark! Yet again, a bevy of scientists has galloped to the rescue of the wonderful tower; this time it is

e don't have many leaning towers ourselves, but we have a good few figures that we would like to see roll off a cliff. Over the years, we have managed to come to terms with the Albert Memorial, only to find that it is now entirely shrouded in hideous coverings for ever. It was supposed to be cleaned and made safe, but I have not seen or heard anybody at work there. (Here, I used to play my Albert Memorial trick: if you studied the figure you could see that Albert holds a book in the crook of his arm. The trick was to ask: what is the book? No, it is not the Bible - too obvious, Nor Queen Victoria's Diaries. I would offer a clue: it is most apposite. Even then, very few got the answer.)

And now, I learn that the Admiralty Arch is up for sale: like everybody else, I thought it was a joke, and it isn't. Why can't these pests be sent to Edinburgh and made to live for the rest of their lives on the steps of the Scott Monument? And how goes the rescue of the Taj Mahal? When last I heard, the battle to clear from the sky the dreadful poisons which are rotting that great monument was

under way; any news? (And Albert's book? It is, of course, the catalogue to the Great Exhibition of 1851.)

rigger nations. The trouble with the Tebbit Test is that it has no conception of what sport is for. Sport means

shouting for the underdog, painting your face for David against Goliath, admiring a beautiful late cut even though it wins the match for your oppo-nents, cheering for Yeovil Town against Manchester United.

D ut even I was worried B when I found myself shouting for Germany against England in the semifinals of Euro 96. Some of this anti-Tebbitry may have been atavistic sour grapes because Terry Venables had not selected me for his squad. Part of it was because I had to stay at the office to write a "Football comes Home" piece when England won. I tried rewriting when eventually Germany hacked it. substituting "Germany" for "England" and vice versa, but by that time cars were burning in Trafalgar Square. So it seemed an inappropriate day for a paean in praise of footy, and we spiked the whole idea.

In any case, the behaviour of the pitch of our players, mari-ager and Daily Mirror was infantilely unsporting. Ger-many looked the better side and had the better supporters. They had lost their two best players. The German players confirmed their sporting ap-pearance by allowing their PRs to take a full page in The Times after the final to thank us for being good hosts. Can you imagine our infantile and surh shower doing that? In the final of course, I shouted for the Czech Republic on the principle of cheer for the underdog and hope for the unexpected.

So in the golf at Lytham St Anne's today, sportsmen will be shouting for players of style and danger. the Spaniard Severiano Ballesteros rather than the grim Amer-English professional Nick Faldo, who looks as glum as if he had a putter rammed up his 18th hole. It has been impossible to shoul for England at rugby against much smaller nations (even Wales), while the officials are such mercenary and incompetent old farts, and the players are dreary kickers, buildozers and percentage players, shut-ting out the flair of risk-taking artists such as Stuart Barnes and Jeremy Guscott

Royal stink

GAS MASKS are to hand in the Princess of Wales Conservatory at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew. Just days after the royal divorce was set in motion, a plant that hasn't flowered for more than 30 years is beginning to bloom; it will unleash a stench so fearsome that gardeners are already running for their smelling salts.

The Titan Arum, a native of Sumatra, is otherwise known as the "corpse flower" because of the suffocating stink of its metre-high flower. It last produced a flower at Kew in 1963, and on the previous occasion, in 1926, police had to be called in to control boisterous crowds of visitors egging each other on to sample its foul odour of putrid flesh.

To flower, the plant, grown out of an enormous tuber weighing likg, needs an exact combination of a dry winter followed by specific temperatures and humidity in summer. The bloom is expected in a week or so, but will wither after

three days. "I haven't smelt it myself, but it is supposed to be a mixture of rotting fish and burnt sugar: visitors will find it quite unpleasant," says Jenny Evans, assistant cura-

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tor in charge of Kew's tropical section. "It's a bit of a problem. We are planning a one-way system for viewing, because we don't want people fighting to get near it and then being killed in the stampede to get away."

Look but don't inhale

A reformed character, Johnny Rotten. The Sex Pistols' lead singer, who encouraged his audience to spit ot him during his shows in the 1970s, was aghast when 0 young fan revived the habit



in Shepherds Bush, west London. Yuk!, that's disgusting," shouled Rotten before emptying his bottle of Perrier over the miscreant in a

renzied revenge. **Prime time**

MORE good news for Joe Klein, the Newsweek writer who recently unmasked himself as the "Anony-mous" author of Primary Colours. the barely fictionalised account of President Clinton's 1992 campaign: Fidel Castro is a

big fan. The Cuban leader was spotted on a recent flight stuck into the closing pages of Primary Colours, doubtless doing some background work on his opponent during the present sanctions fracas. Despite his resolute refusal to speak English, Castro is known to underpolitics: "But I tell you, I like some of what Tony Blair's doing, stand it when important works of Yeah, new Labour's fine." I understand Degsy was particularly inpressed by the arrival of Peter Mandelson in a chauffeur-driven

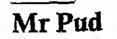
Jaguar.

Dog-gone

STILL MISSING: one border collie answering to the name of Peter and with a faux-aristocratic langour inherited from his owner. the actor Anthony Andrews. Local newspapers around Salis-

bury have been carrying advertisements asking for the return of the nine-year-old black-and-tan dog. which went missing recently with his friend, a Jack Russell called A sizeable reward is on offer.

We have had dogs all our lives." says Andrews, his ears visibly wilting, but Peter is proba-bly the most important. He has spanned generations. We are all devastated."

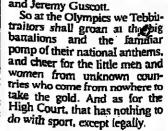


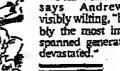
IN CHIGWELL, Essex, the excitement is hard to bear. One of Hollywood's biggest stars has let it be known that he likes the place and wants a property in the locality.

Chigwell's big man, Brando

Marion Brando, a man for whom man-sized hankies would never be enough, dropped in for lunch unannounced to Ye Olde King's Heade in Chigwell on Tues-day with his two daughters, his grandson and his minder. The oversize family party was ushered to the pub's Country Carvery and then to a quiet booth where Brando lapped up several lemonades and a pork curry, large helping.

"Marion spent two hours here," says a regular. "A hell of a lot of lemonade." And puddings?





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THE TIMES FOLLOW THE LEADER

Labour must be tough on strikes and the causes of strikes

The Labour Party should be showing a linle more of the traditional trade union virtue of solidarity. That does not mean standing shoulder to shoulder on the picket line with the members of Aslef and the RMT who have so wantonly damaged the capital's interests hy their strike on the London Underground. Labour should, instead, be vigorously supporting its leader. Tony Blair is right to want the Tube strike called off. He has been ill-served so far by the grudging words of Robin Cook and the sullen silence of John Prescoll. If Mr Blair's party is to speak credibly for the cilizen and against vested interests at the next election then it should. audihly and enthusiastically, support him now.

The strike is the hluntest of instruments and these strikers have the weakest of cases. London Underground have offered Tube drivers an increase of 3.2 per cent which would take basic salaries to £25,430, a higher figure than that paid to the multilingual drivers on advanced Eurostar trains. The strikers are holding out for a reduction in their working week by one hour to 37.5 hours. For the sake of an hour a week these handsomely-paid men paralyse a city. The cost to commerce, inconvenience to the public and damage to the capital's tourist reputation are incalculable. Arhitration is available but the unions want confrontation. Seldom in the last ten years can industrial muscle have been so crudely directed with such slender justification.

Recognising the scale of anger in London. and aware of the marginal seats clustered along its commuter belt, it is understandable that Mr Blair should have intervened in the dispute. His decision to have David Blunkett, Labour's Education and Employment spokesman, call for a return to work is an astute response to public feeling. Mr Blair's stance will have a resonance outside the capital. It is intended to demonstrate there is steel behind Labour's rhetoric of "fairness, not favours" towards trade unions. It is part of the broader strategy of distancing New Labour from interest group, and trying to identify it with the citizen which Tony Blair has imported from Bill Clinton's new Democrats.

Unfortunately for Mr Blair, his own lack of trade union roots and the reaction of his colleagues have undermined his efforts to end the strike. Asked if he supported his leader Robin Cook could only mutter that. "I share collective responsibility for anything any of us say." John Prescott, according to one colleague, had to be "scraped off the wall" when he heard the news. Mr Prescott may enjoy RMT sponsorship but he is also Mr Blair's deputy. He stands higher in the affections of the unions than any other member of the Labour leadership. Once before, at the 1993 Labour Party Conference on the principle of One Member, One Vote, Mr Prescon used his authority to persuade the labour movement to adapt to reality and support its leader. In the interests of his party, and the travelling public, he should again use his influence and echo his leader's call for a return to work.

If, however. Mr Blair wants Labour Iu be a truly modern party he must be not only tough on strikes, but also tough on the causes of strikes. It is no co-incidence that the industrial unrest which has caused such misery this summer, on the Underground and in the Royal Mail, occurs in the public sector. The Tube drivers are insulated frum the consequences of their action by their state-subsidised employer in a way that the British Airways pilots who drew back from a strike are not. Legislation has helped promote industrial peace but what has guaranteed it is the discipline of the marketplace. Labour is right to call for arbitration now, but if its leaders are now genuine champions of the consumer they should also be arguing for enterprise in the future.

ATLANTA'S HOUR

From Southern defeats and segregation to Olympic City

In the early morning tomorrow a spectacua lar ceremony will signify the opening of the centenary Olympic Games. For the next two weeks the eyes of the world will be on Atlanta, where a drama involving 29 sports and 271 events will be played out - a far cry from the amateur Athens affair of 1896. With the Americans in charge, a few matters may be certain: it will be meticulously organised

Rodney King beating, and the trial and acquittal of OJ Simpson last year, both demonstrated this, Black politicians can occasionally reach the top, as mayor Tom Bradley did, but the power structure is overwhelming white with an increasingly important Asian-American element.

Atlanta is different. The former railway town that now sits at the intersection of six

Trusting the trust on 'The Observer'

From the Editor of the South China Morning Post

ation 1:50

Sir. The current flurry of words over The Observer and the behaviour of the Scott Trust, in which Anthony Howard joined this week ("A paper without a cause", July 16), may prove to be an eddy in a journalistic teaspoon. But, despite having recently suffered the very fate predicted by Philip Hope-Wallace of being sacked by a liberal paper around Christmas, I found Mr Howard's doubts about whether Lonrho was any worse an owner than the Scott Trust surprising. Lourho's ownership saw The Ob-

server going in the hrink of extinction in a merger with the Independent on Sunday. It saw an annual loss rising to more than £10 million, and circulation falling by Itt per cent a year. Above all, it produced a paper where, whatever excuses were dreamed up at the bar of the Garrick Club, most seninr journalists went along with the Faustian deal of following Tiny Rowland's agenda, when he so wished, in return for Lonrho stamping their pay and expenses cheques. The muddle, mess, self-deception and self-indulgence which met us when the Guard-ian group took over The Observer in was extraordinary.

Whatever one's personal feelings about the behaviour of the Scott Trust and the rewriting of recent history at the Guardian group, it was the Trust - described by Mr Howard as wellmeaning but crass amateurs - that gave The Observer back the self-respect which those who accepted Lonrho's passport to a cushy life had forfeited

Yours faithfully, IONATHAN FENBY (Editor, The Observer, 1993-95), Editor, South Chino Morning Post, 29 Floor, Dorset House. 979 King's Road, Quarry Bay, Hong Kong. July 18.

From Mr Andrew Jaspan

Sir, Leaving to one side his rather gra tuitous insults, I am delighted that Anthony Howard largely agrees with my assessment (Media, July 10) of The Observer is in the mess it is and why its owners have proven themselves to be largely unfit to restore its fortunes.

Yours. ANDREW JASPAN (Editor, The Observer, 1995-96), 2 Glasslyn Road, N8.

July 16.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Compromise and concession as way forward for Ulster

When the shockwaves from the latest

setback have subsided, the approach

enshrined in the Downing Street dec-

laration and the framework document

will still represent the most hopeful

When the dust has settled after last

week's events London and Dublin

must set about reducing the resent-

ments and insecurices which make compromise so difficult for either

community in Northern Ireland. For

the Briosh Government, this should

mean tackling the difficult issues of

police reform and the release of pris-oners which are so important to the

But for this to be feasible, the trish

Government and the SDLP must find

ways of demonstrating that they do

not identify with Sinn Fein's long-

term ubjectives, and of convincing

moderate Unionism that they will ac-

cept a compromise settlement as legit-

imate and durable rather than as an

interim step down the road to a united

Ireland. A clear reassertion of readi-

ness to repeal Arricles 2 and 3 of the

trish Constitution would be a good

difficult not to agree with his general

analysis (repon and leading arricle,

July (5). By playing polices and refusing to

get on with substanove talks without

preconditions, the British Govern-

ment squandered the opportunity cre-

ated by the tRA's ceasefire. While not

condoning their actions in any way, I

certainly don't find it too hard to un-

derstand their frustration. The de-

commissioning of arms was a right

In Britain, as in most other parts of

the world, there is a growing under-

standing of the valuable part good,

ethical public relations can play in

promoting the success and efficiency of organisations of all kinds.

of our professional work.

nationalist community.

way forward.

From Sir David Goodall

Sir, It is difficult to understand the Government's determination to treat the routeing of the Orange march at Drumcree as a matter to be decided by the Chief Constable alone, on purely operational grounds, without regard to its political consequences.

The resulting spectacle of the RUC, backed up by British troops, penning nationalists into their homes and bludgconing them off the streets to make way for a provocative Orange march, has not just played into the hands of the IRA. It has alienated even the most moderate elements within the minority community and revived all their doubts about ever being allowed to achieve "equal legitimacy" with Unionism as long as Nurthern Ireland remains part of the United Kingdom. It is a spectacle of which we in Britain, as well as Unionist leaders, should be ashamed.

What may be less evident, at least in Dublin, is the extent to which the creation of the pan-nationalist consensus", and what has looked to Unionists like unremitting pressure from the Irish Government and the SDLP for concessions to Sinn Fein, have sharpened the sense of insecurity and resentment within the Unionist community and thus helped to generate the aggressive intransigence of Drum-

Yours etc DAVID GOODALL cree. There are lessons here for Dub-Garrick Club, Garrick Street, WC2. lin and the SDLP as well as for Lon-Julv 16. don and the Unionists. It is illusory to think (as your leader

stan.

From Mr Michael Collie of July 15 seemed to imply) that the search for a political settlement could Sir. However repugnant we may find Gerry Adams's refusal to condemn take the form of a return to constitutional immobility with a few humanthe IRA's most recent atrocides, it's

nights trimmings as a sop to nationalists. The demographic balance alone makes it clear that no system of government for Northern Ireland will command the necessary level of acceptance from both communities unless it includes a significant Irish dimension as well as accommodating the Unionist determination that the

Province should remain within the

Power of PR From Mr Michael Rowe

United Kingdom,

Str. Like every profession, including journalism, public relations has its underperformers, but to describe it as iniquitous, as Giles Coren does ("A matter of trust or tricks", Media, July 17), is unduly harsh.

A student studying for a BA Honours degree in public relations spends Journalisis and PR professionals three years on the theory and practice

It will also have to offer the nationand fitting agenda item for all-party alist minority the prospect of attaining talks, not a necessary pre-condition to some share of political power other them. than by outright victory at the polls.

Now we have seen the British State supinely cave in to the bigots in nrange. Juhn Bruton was spot on with his comments (repons, July 13).

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Why shouldn't the nationalist population put their trust in the tRA when the State has so clearly failed them?

Yours sincerely, MICHAEL COLLIE, 2F2 22 William Street, Edinburgh 3. July 16.

From Dr Graeme K. Monthew

Sir. Whatever the constitutional arrangements for Ulster, there is a pressing need for conciliation between the communities. How does the tradition of the marches square with that? Eilis O'Hanlon (arricte, July tt) telts

us that the Orange marches used to be seen as a harmlessly eccentric diversion. It may well be that Sinn Fein has engineered a change in that perception, but it has had powerful material to work on.

You suggest (leading arricle, July 15) that "the real bigniny is the refusal to understand and empathise with a community which wishes only to remain in the country and is fearful that that night will be overridden". It is not bigotry to acknowledge grounds for offence amongst Catholics in such large scale celebrations of an ancient Protestant victory or in the military and social symbols on display. Ulster Unionists need to know that these things harm their case in Britain and abroad. Moreover it is difficult to see that they have any real practical or political benefit.

Seen from outside, Protestant Ulster has greater strengths, a finer cultural tradition and a better case for insisting on its Britishness than appear in the marches,

Yours sincerely G. K. MATTHEW, Amnis House, Coin St Dennis, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire. July 15,

to newspapers is only one small part Howard's 'greasy pole' From Mr Peter Cadbury

Sir. Bernard Levin would appear to be out of step with public opinion ("How-ard's greasy pole", July 12). Two years ago I resigned from the

Conservative Party because I thought the Government was doing too little to combat crime and protect the average householder (report, August 30, 19

kept off the streets, fewer are allowed

on bail or parole to repeat their offen-

ces, and guidelines have been publish-

ed advising the police not to prosecute

innocent citizens for taking the law in-

to their own hands. This must be ap-

plauded as a benefit to the law-abid-

Prevention is better than conviction,

and here again Michael Howard is

leading the way in advocating closed-

circuit television for areas where

crime is prevalent. After the recent

atrocities at schools it must make

sense to provide CCTV for all schools

where there is a risk of an intruder: 1

personally am presenting CCTV 10 a

few local schools and t only wish I

I know nothing about Michael

Howard's ambinon to be Prime Min-

ister, but on his recent record f would

could afford to supply them all.

ing member of the public.

and make a tidy profit. This is no small achievement in itself: Montreal, the host city 20 years ago. was virtually bankrupted by the expense ce.

This is the second time in 12 years that the Games have been staged in the United States. Los Angeles was the venue in 1984. That might strike neutrals as dull or unfair. The two cities are superficially similar. Both have grown beyond recognition since the war. In each case expansion has come from the sun-belt shift in America's population fuelled by the rise of modern communications and the invention of the air conditioner that made life bearable. Both are capitals of regional empires: Los Angeles that of the entertainment industry; Atlanta the commercial and cultural centre of the thriving New South.

Beyond that though, they are quite separate - above all on the question of race. Los Angeles is a vast sprawl but seemingly soulless with it, a giganne set of suburbs linked by freeways without much of a common core. Inner LA is almost exclusively the preserve of the poorest minorities, especially black citizens: community relations are ever on the edge of an explosion. In their different ways the riots of 1992, triggered by the

interstate highways, and boasts the best and busiest airport in America, was the cradle of the civil rights revolution. the home and political base of Martin Luther King. Before then it had a turbulent past. The city was burnt to the ground by General Sherman during the War between the States and became a seedbed of southern resentments over the next century, only recently, and reluctantly, abandoning its rigid

segregation. But Atlanta has seen a social revolution over the past three decades. The slogan "A city too busy to hate" is an extravagant claim but not outrageous by the standards of American cities. Integration is clearly visible in its polines, not least in the achievements of then-mayor Andrew Young in capturing this tournament. That spirit is also present and getting stronger in the corporate domain.

Atlanta is the spiritual capital both of Black America as well as the economically self-confident New South of Newt Gingrich. The overwhelming preponderance of African-Americans among their track athletes makes the setting all the more appropriate. This, not the popular cliche of a Coca-Cola Olympics is what will give these Games a special flavour.

From the Choirman, The Scott Trust

Sir, I'm sure the Scott Trust has plenty to learn from Anthony Howard about running liberal newspapers. How could one fail to be impressed by such a famous pillar of The Observer from the days when it was owned by Lonrho?

It is hard to know which of his credendals to respect more: the high principle he showed when he worked for Tiny Rowland, or the detachment he now loftily brings, as a member of the Times payroll, to discussion of one of its direct commercial competitors. Mr Howard says the Trust are amateurs. This is a funny way to describe a body whose collective editorial experience, mostly in senior positions, adds up to about 150 years, and its managerial experience to at least 100 years. It has run The Guordian with manifest professionalism, and is bringing the same quality to the paper over whose dismal fall from grace Mr Howard presided as deputy editor.

Yours sincerely, HUGO YOUNG, Chairman, The Scott Trust, The Guardian, 119 Farringdon Road, ECI. July t6.

From Mr Victor Olliver

Sir. Anthony Howard attributes the decline of The Observer 10 a drying up of heroic liberal causes, yet I suspect the truth has a lot more to do with thinness than anything else.

Relative to The Sunday Times's expanding muld-sectional girth through the Eighties, The Observer gradually took on a pinched, anorexic look, failing the first test of value for money as in lay wanly by the side of its faner and fatter compeditor.

A quality Sunday paper must promise to get one through the bulk of an idle day, a selling point that renders such quain considerations as editor-ial politics or "causes" of secondary importance.

Yours faithfully, VICTOR OLLIVER, 3 Bessborough Terrace, Lancing, West Sussex. July 16.

British history

From Mr Simon Ellis

Sir. I would suggest to Nick Tate, the Government's curriculum chief, that students of history (report. July 17) will gain a better understanding of present-day issues from studying the rise of America and Russia as superpowers, China in revolution, and the demise of apartheid in South Africa than topics like Henry VIII and Oliver Cromwell, which are really no more relevant than Jack and the Beanstalk or Robin Hood.

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Yours sincerely, SIMON ELLIS, 38 Forest View, E4.

have more in common than Mr Coren might wish to admit. No PR professional expects that a press release sem to 100 publications will be published by them all, any more than a journalist can expect his an icle to be read by

every reader of the newspaper. A recent press release we sent on behalf of a client to all the national newspapers was used by about half of them, and equally spread between tabloids and qualities; if journalists do not agree what a good news story is, then how can the humble PR professional predict with t00 per cent ac-

curacy? PRs need journalists but journalists need us too; although of course they would never admit it.

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL ROWE (Managing Director). Charlton Communications, 70 Chalk Farm Road, NWt. July t7.

From Professor Som Block

Sir, Media relations is an important part of public relations, but it is only one aspect, and sending press releases

tack aircraft, should not be underesti-Losses at Goose Green mated.

Sir, As the commander of D Com-pany, 2 Para, the company that took the heaviest losses at Goose Green [letters, July 12, 15]. I particularly wish to rebut the suggestion in the Channel 4 television programme of July II that these lives and that of "H" were a needless sacrifice.

battle was not operationally necessary must be given due weight - though the incalculable psychological impact

Broadcasting opera

From Mr Michael D. Varcoe-Cocks

Sir, I was astounded that Sir Jeremy Isaacs, General Director of the subsidised Royal Opera House (letter, July 13) thinks the initiative for televising operas needs to come from the broadcasters. It should come from him. There is not the remotest justification for anyone who works at a publicly-funded theatre - unionised or not - to require more money for a broadcast of a performance for which they are already paid, except to the extent that extra work, eg, overtime, is re-

CDs were marketed. It is outrageous that anyone from superstar to stage hand can effectively prevent broadcasts by holding out for a ransom. I would like it to be a condition of the Arts Council grant that a

quired for the transmission. It would

be different if resulting videos and

of a management discipline which is At that time almost anyone who tried quite unrecognisable in your article. to apprehend a burglar or a mugger,

Yours sincerely. or even in some cases where they SAM BLACK made a "citizen's arrest" for kidnap-(Honorary Professor of Public ping, was prosecuted for assault. Over the last two years, thanks to Reladons, University of Stirling). Keswick House, 3 Greenway, N20. Michael Howard, more criminals are

From Mr Motthew Freud

July 17.

Sir. Your picture eaption accompanying Giles Coren's article states that I often command as many column inches as [my] clients".

On average Freud Communica-tions' clients attract over 1,000 column inches per day, whereas my personal total in the last ten years do not add up to 100.

This is perhaps further evidenced by the fact that you were unable to find a photograph of me from the currem decade. If anyone is interested, I have put on some weight, but my hair-line remains mercifully intact.

Yours faithfully, MATTHEW FREUD (Chairman). Freud Communcations, 93 Newman Street, WI. July 17.

minimum of 12 operas (and 12 ballets)

be broadcast each season and the con-

tracts for everyone working at Covent

Garden include a clause enabling this

for no additional fee. If they had to be

concerned with only their own costs,

surely the television companies would

There is no reason why this could

not be in place when the redeveloped

house is opened, but Sir Jeremy needs

Letters should carry a daytime

telephone number. They may be

faxed to 0171-782-5046.

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Yours sincerely, PETER CADBURY, Upton Grey Lodge, Upton Grey, Nr Basingstoke, Hampshire. July 12.

encourage him to apply.

Cuban liberty

From Mr C. J. Jacob

Sir. In your leading article, "Pigs again" (July 16), you rightly castigate the Helms-Bunon Act, that misguided attempt to coerce the international community into supporting United States policy against Cuba.

You are not alone in your censure. Even the Congressional draftsman seems to have expressed contempt for the duty imposed on him, and rather wintly so. Why else give the legislation its mock-Marxisl otle "Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity Act", if not for the sake of the deterrent acronym CuL De SAc?

Yours faithfully, C. J. JACOB, 5 Sycamore Avenue, Chandlers Ford. Eastleigh. Hampshire. July 16.

Who art in Heaven?

From Mr Roger Sydenham

Sir. Your report (July 17) that the Church of England is to remove references to God as male from its praver book reminds me of an American friend, a Unitarian, who told me that he always prefaced his prayers with "To whom it may concern".

Yours faithfully. ROGER SYDÉNHAM, Ramillies, Friston, Saxmundham, Suffolk. July 18.

The wreck of a Roman ship on the seabed a They insisted on the largest possible mile off Hayling Island could help us numbers of ships — they knew that a rewrite more than marine archaeology. If carbon dating and dendrochronology of its foreign wood establish that this is the genuine navis, the find could revive interest in two fascinating questions. Why did the Roman Empire fall? Why did the British

VENI, VIDI – GLUG, GLUG, GLUG

When Julius Caesar ruled the waves - or tried to

Empire rise? Romans hated the sea. Because of this hatred. Rome was an absurdly inconvenient place from which to run an empire. Every army had to march long leagues to the top of Italy before making a sinister or a dexirous turn to do any conquering. Unsurprisingly, the Romans soon tired of this.

In his famous set-piece in On the Republic, Cicero praised Romulus for his wisdom in avoiding the coastal sites of Greek cities when he founded Rome. In this way he kept his capital city clear of all the corruption and danger that the sea stands for. Roman poets were plangent about the dangers of sea travel. When they had to fight at sea, Romans endeavoured to make it as like the land as possible with grapplingirons and drawbridges. Lucretius defined Epicurean happiness (and perhaps standing on a cliff in a storm watching others in peril on the sea. and thinking. There but for the grace of

ierra firma go I." Of course, for some tasks, like invading Britain, ships were unavoidable. In such cases Roman leaders helieved. like Colin Powell centuries later, in the military doctrine of massive deployment of force.

numbers of ships — they knew that a momentary caprice of jealous Neptune could turn a claim of Veni, Vidi, Vici into a cry of glug, glug, glug. Romans may have feared the sea but there was the need for luxury imports. The Monte

Testaccio (Broken Pot Mount) outside Rome was made up of 53 million imported olive oil amphorae deliberately broken after their contents were transferred into larger storage vessels. It is a kilometre around at the base and represents an oil lake of 6,000 million litres. The Roman plebs lived on imported corn, 150,000 tons a year shipped from Egypt, but twice as much again from Sicily and North Africa. This is a rare statistic from the ancient world.

The wealthy Roman dressed in wool from Miletus and linen from Egypt. His wife wore silks from China, decorated herself with pearls from India, and made up with cosmetics from Arabia. He seasoned his food with Indian pepper and sweetened it with Athenian honey, and had it served on dishes of Spanish silver by British slaves. He washed it down with Sicilian wine decanted from Syrian glass.

So hatred of the sea did not extend to hating imports by sea. This Roman shipwreck is a reminder that before Britain learned to rule the waves Rome had a good try at doing so. But it would still be interesting to find out in which direction the ship was sailing when it went down, and who made up its crew. Perhaps they were Roman Britons, the first seadogs of Empire. | July 17.

on the Argentinians' subsequent will to fight, and the fact it was an operational air base for Pucara ground at-

fact be counter-productive. Yours sincerely,

clear in the programme, there was also a poliocal imperadve. As "war is politics by other means", the banle

The film is beset with fundamental confusion between tactics and strategy. As the senior land force commander, Julian Thompson's view that the

PHILIP NEAME. Blake Cottage, North Waltham. Basingstoke, Hampshire.

However, as Lord Lewin made From Mr Philip Neame

then became strategically essential. This, I believe is the crux of H's contribution. By comparison with those who ordered merely a raid with no specific objectives, and others who were prepared to risk the outcome by foregoing artillery support. H saw clearly that anything short of a definitive and successful outcome could in

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be interested.

to act now.

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Yours faithfully,

M. D. VARCOE-COCKS.

5 Brackenbury Road, W6.



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BUCKINGHAM PALACE July 18: His Excellency Shaikh Abdul Aziz Mubarak Al Khalifa Addit Age whith a statistic of the stati sador from the State of Bahrain to the Court of S1 James's.

Shaikha Lamees Al Khalifa was also received by Her Majesty. Mr Philip Astley (Director, Protocol, Foreign and Common-wealth Office) was present.

Mr Justice Toulson was received by The Queen upon his appointment as a Justice of the High Court when Her Majesty conferred upon him the honour of Knighthood and invested him with the Insignia of a

Knight Bachelor. The following were received in audience by The Queen and kissed hands upon their appointment as Her Majesty's Ambassadors: Mr lan Gerken (the Republic of El Salvador), Mr Robert Hendrie (the Oriental Republic of Uruguay), Sir Michael Llewellyn-Smith (the Hel-

Michael Lewelyn-Smith (de Fre-lenic Republic) and Mr Ivor Rob-erts (Yugoslavia). Mr Ian Mackley was received in audience by The Queen upon his appointment as British High Commissioner to the Republic of Ghana.

Mrs Gerken, Mrs Hendric, Lady Llewellyn-Smith, Mrs Rob-erts and Mrs Mackley were also

eris and Mrs Mackley were also received by Her Majesty. Mr Richard Arbiter was re-ceived by The Queen when Her Majesty invested him with the Insignia of a Lieutenant of the Royal Victorian Order.

Mr Andrew MacKay MP (Vice-Chamberlain of the Household) was received in audience by The Queen and presented an Address from the House of Commons to which Her Majesty was graciously pleased to make reply.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh gave an Afternoon Party in the Garden of Buckingham Palace.

The Duke of Kent was present. Her Majestys Body Guard of the Honourable Corps of Gentle-men-at-Arms and The Queen's Body Gurad of the Yeomen of the

Guard were on duty. The Bands of the Blues and Royals and the Corps of Royal Electrical and Mechanical Enineers played selections of music luring the afternoon.

The Duke of Edinburgh, Permanent Master, the Worshipful Company of Shipwrights, this morning presented a Shipwright's certificate at the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, London SEIO.

His Royal Highness, Trustee, afterwards attended a Meeting of the Trustees of the National Maritime Museum and Luncheon at

morning received Mr James Wolfensohn Precident of the Wolfenschn, President of the World Bank. His Royal Highness, Chairman of the Mary Rose Trust, later at-tended a Dinner in Newport, Rhode Island, for supporters of the

Trust. KENSINGTON PALACE July 18: The Princess Margaret. Countess of Snowdon today visited British Petroleum's Wytch Farm Oilfield, near Corfe Castle, Dorset. Her Royal Highness was re-ceived by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Dorset (The Lord Digby).

KENSINGTON PALACE

July 18: Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester, Deputy Colonel-in-Chief, The King's Royal Hussars, this afternoon received Colonel Robin Merton on relinquishing the appointment of Regimental Sec-retary and Major Patrick Beresford on assuming the

appointment. The Duchess of Gloucester to-day visited the East of England Show, Peterborough, and was received on arrival by Her Maj-esty's Lord-Lieutenant of Cam-budgethis (May Lucas Complex) bridgeshire (Mr. James Crowden).

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

July 18: The Duke of Kent, Grand Master, the Most Distinguished Order of St Michael and St George this morning attended a service of commemoration and dedication at St Paul's Cathedral, London EC4.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE July 18: Princess Alexandra, Deputy Colonel-in-Chief, this afternoon visited the Headquarters of the Light Infantry in Cornwall, at the Keep, Bodmin, and was re-ceived by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenani of Cornwall (the Lady Mary Holborow).

Her Royal Highness sub-sequently visited the Cornwall Centre for Volunteers at Cathedral House, Wilkes Walk, Truro. Finally Princess Alexandra,

Vice-Patron of the Young Women's Christian Association, opened the Young Women's Centre at 20 Francis Street, Truro.

Hards bucc, transmiss, accompa-nied by the Hon Sir Angus Ogilvy, this evening attended a Dinner given by the Hon Nicholas Soames, MP, Minister of State for the Armed Forces, io honour of the King and Queen of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan at Lancaster House, St James's, London SWI.

Royal engagements

10.05; and, accompanied by the

The Queen will visit Aardman Studios, Bristol, at



Philip Jenkinson donning his French court robes, which he is entitled to wear in an English court of law

English-born lawyer courts French fashion

Channel Tunnel to become what is

BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

AS A FRENCH avocat entitled to appear in the English courts, Philip Jenkinson has a secret weapon. His French court robes, complete with ermine trim, put English barristers' plain black robes in the shade.

Mr Jenkinson, who was born in England, has lived in France for 10 years and is a partner with the law firm Triplet & Associates, in Lille. His firm has taken advantage of the arrival of the

Memorial service Baroness Stedman

The Queen was represented by Baroness Trumpington at a service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Baroness Stedman held yesterday in the Chapel of St Mary Undercroft, Palace of West-

Canon Donald Gray, Chaplain to the Speaker, officiated and the Rev John Stockwell, of SI Philip's, Burwash Weald, East Susser, led the prayers. Mr Thomas Ferrers-Walker and Lord Bancroft read the lessons, Lady Kinloss read a poem by a nun of West Malling Abbey and Sir Peter Baldwin gave an address. Sir Michael Wheeler-(London).

Booth, Clerk of the Parliaments, attended. Among others present were:

University news

The Honorary Degree of Doctor of Divinity has been awarded to:

His All-Holiness the Ecumenical

Edinburgh

Were: Miss Edith, Stedman (sister-fr-law), Mr Len Adams, Mrs Margarei Adams, Miss Susan Adams. The Earl of Strafford, Viscouni Alienby, Viscouni Craigavae, Viscouni Tenby, Viscouni Waverley, Lady Bancroh, Banness Birk, Lord Blease, Lord Roston of Paversham, QC, Lord Brightman, Baroness Carnegy of Lour, Lard Congleton, Baroness David, Raveness Demon al Watchield, Lord Diamond, Lord Graham of Edmonton, Lord Howell, Baroness Hylton-Poster, Lord Howell, Baroness Lord Mowfray and Howell, Baroness, Lord Mowfray and Shauron, Lord Graham of Edmonton,

Church news

Archdeacon of Lewisham The Rev. Canon Dr David Atkinson, Residentiary Canon, Chancellor and Missioner of Southwark Cathedral, is to be Archdeacon of Lewisham, in the thocese of Southwark, in succession to the Ven Gordon Kuhrt, who is now Chief Secretary, Advisory Board of Ministry, Church House, Westminster, Other appointments

The Rev Jack Harris, Vicar, Holy Trinity, Doncaster (Sheffield): to be Vicar, St. Peter, Belsize Park the Rev Bill Hetling, Vicar, Lower Parkstone Team Ministry (Salis-bury): 10 be Priest-in-charge, St.

buryl: 10 be Priest-in-charge, St. Barnabos, Reading (Oxford). The Rev Steven Hughes, formerly Team Vicar, King's Norton (Birmingham): to be Assistant Chap-lain of Bucharest (Europe). The Rev Paul Hunter, Team Vicar, Huchnall Torkard (Southweil): to be Vicar, Thurtroft, St. Simon and St. Jude (Sheffield). The Rev Tory Ingleby, Rector.

The Rev Tony Ingleby, Rector, Laureath and Pelynt to be also Rural

Assistant Curate, and known as

Among the guessis were: The Hoo Mrs Soarnes, Brigodier General Prince Abdultah Al Hussein, Frince Falsal Al Hussein and Princess Alla Al Falsal Al Hussein and Princess Alla Al Falsal Prince Hanzah Al Prince Talal Bla Mohannmad, Mr Aymao Msall, MrAwn Russenneh, the Armao Msall, MrAwn Russenneh, the Armao Msall, MrAwn Russenneh, the Armao Statick Beresford, Sir Kobert Reilowes, Mr David Howeld, MF, and Mrs Howell, Pield Marshal Sir Mohaen and Lady Graydon, Air Chiel Marshal Sir John and Lady Wills, Lieutenan-General Sir Alex and Lady Bartey, Sir Gurthre, Air Chiel Marshal Sir Mohaen Sir John and Lady Wills, Lieutenan-General Sir Alex and Lady Davies, Sir Robert and Lady Braydon, Air Chiel Marshal Sir John and Lady Divies, Sir Robert and Lady Wainsley, Sir Moray and Lady Sewart, Sir Thomas and Lady Durne. Sir John and Lady Coles. Alderman Sir Grevelle and Lady Sprant. Field Marshal Abdul Haltz Marci Ka'aboneh, FM Ambassador at Annman and Mis Hilochellfe. Lieueranan-General and Mrs H & W Pike, Mr and Mrs C B C Masettekd, Malor-General and Mrs Or Honshick, Mr and Mrs FG Stewart, Mr James Arbuhnot, Mr, and Mrs Kahan

The Rev Resemary Show, Honorary Curate, St. John, East Dulwich: to be Chaplain, King's Healthcare NHS Trust (Southwark).

filogan: to be also Rural Dean of North Caromarth (Truro). The Rev John Tornlinson, Curate,

(Liverpool).

THE TIMES FRIDAY JULY 19 1996

Forthcoming marriages Mr M.H. Lauterpacht and Miss J.M. Tasker

Mr P.H. Arkelt and Miss V. Chesker-Leiman and MISS V. CRESCT-Leman The engagement is announced between Peter, elder son of Mr and Mrs John Arkell, of Gresham's School, Norfolk, and Vanessa, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Russell Leiman, of London and Hong Kong Hong Kong.

and Miss E.S. Slocock The engagement is announced from France, between Angus, son of Mr and Mrs Charles Bailey, of Peaslake, Surrey, and Eleanor, daughter of Mr Martin Slocock, of Chobham, Surrey, and Mrs Gilia Slocock, of Oxford.

The engagement is announced between Guy, son of Mr and Mrs Mark Blackden, of Mayfield, East Sussex, and Susan, daughter of Mr and Mrs Tony Biofield, of Hinton St George, Somerset. Mr L Brenchley

and Miss S.F. Doughty The engagement is announced between fan, younger son of Mr W. Brenchley, of Beckerings Park, Lidlington, Bedfordshire, and Mrs P. Brenchley, of Fenny Stratford. Buckinghamshire. and Sarah Frances, only daughter of Ms D. Doughty and Mr R. Grimble, of Overshore Farm, Upchurch, Keni.

Mr J.C.H. Eugster and Miss A.K. Sherwin The engagement is announced between John, elder son of Mr and Mrs Christopher Eugster, of Little Bromley, Essex, and Amanda, daughter of Mr Makolm Sherwin, of Thornton-le-Street, Yorkshire, and Mrs Sarah Sherwin, of Helmsley, Yorkshire.

Mr D. Graham-Woollard and Miss L. Jenkins

The engagement is announced between David, idest son of Mr and Mrs Peter Graham-Woollard, of Bridgend, South Wales, and Louisa, daughter of Mr and Mrs David Jenkins, of Oxshott, Surrey. Mr A.R. Guaning and Schorita J. Vital

The engagement is announced between Alexander Rupert, younger son of Mr and Mrs Peter Gunning, of Bath, Somerset, and Jerusalen, daughter of Señor and Señora Vital-Mendioroz, of

Arteiona, Navarra, Spain, Mr N.M.F. Jopling and Serena Lady Gillford The engagement is announced between Nicholas, eldest son of the Right Hon Michael and Mrs Jopling, and Serena, daughter of the late Lieutenant Colonel and the Hon Mrs BJ. Lockhart.

Birthdays today

Lord Justice Aukl, 59: Lord Bethell. R: Mr David Bowe. MEP. 41; Sir Norman Brain, former diplomat, 89: Mr Cameron Cochrane, former Headmaster, Fetter College, 63; Judge Viscount Colville of Culross,

The engagement is announced between Michael Hersch, son of Professor Elihu Lauterpacht and the late Mrs Judith Laulerpacht, af Cambridge, and Joanna, daughter of the late Dr John Tasker and of Mrs Grizell Tasker, of Heacham. Norfolk. Mr M.H.O. Leaver and Miss E.A. Gillin

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The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Leaver, of Aspley Guise. Bedfordshire. and Elizabeth, daughter of Mrs Patricia Gillin and the late Robert Gillin, of Anchorage, Alaska

Mr R.J.B. Noel and Miss R.D. Hale The engagement is announced between Robert, younger son of the Hon Gerard and Mrs Noel, and Rowena, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Dennis Hale.

Mr M. Twomey and Miss R. Craig and MISS R. Craig The engagement is announced between Milo, son of MITS F. Shaw, of London, and the late Mr W. Twomey, and Rebecca, youngest daughter of Mr and MITS S. Craig, of Windsor, Berkshire.

Хï Mr.J. Wright Mr J. Wright and Miss E.L. Walsh The engagement is announced between James, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Phillip Wright, of Burton, Cheshire, and Elizabeth Louise, daughter of Mr and Mrs Paul Walsh, of Appleton, Cheshire,

Marriages

Mr M.A.E. Casey and Mrs J.E. Pardhy The marriage took place on July 13, at SI Swithin's, Quenington, between Michael Casey and Joanna Pardhy, elder daughter of Mrs Caroline Bryani.

M F. Robert and Miss V. Medd The marriage took place on July II, 1996, in Paris, of Franck, son of Colonel and Mime Roger Robert. of Lille, France, to Victoria, daughter of Mr and Mrs Graham Medd, of London SW6.

810 Naval Air Squadron

Lady (John) Fieldbouse presented awards to student helicopter crews vesterday at 8/0 Naval Air Squadron, RNAS Cuidrose, The course of student pilots, observers and alrerewmen were presented with their certificates for successfully complet-ing flying training and will now be appointed to frant line squadrons.

BIRTHS: Gilbert Sheldon, Arch-bishop of Camerbury 1063-77. Ellastone, Derbyshire, 1598; Alexis Firon, dramatist, Dijon, 1689; John Martin, painter, Haydon bridge, Northumberland, 1789; Gottfried Keller, novelist and poet, Zurich, 1819; Fedrar Derse, painter, Paris 1834.

HM Government King Hussein and Queen Noor of Associate Rector, Famborough Jordan were the guests of honour at a dinner given by Her Majesty's (Rochester). The Rev Nicholas Parish, Vicar, St. Paul, Furzedown (Southwark): to be Industrial Chaplain for the Bracknell deancry (Oxford). Government last night at Lancaster House, Princess Alexandra and the Hon Angus Ogilvy attended. The Hon Nicholas The Rev Nick Pedley, Curate, Kingswinford, Church of the Ascen-sion, Wall Heath: to be Team Vicar, Kingswinford Team Ministry at the Church of the Ascension, Wall Heath Soames. Minister of State for the Armed Forces, was the host Among the guests were:

Warnes cr).

The Rev David Stevens, Rector,

The Rev John Torninson, Carale, Blewbury, Hagbourne and Uaton: to be Ourate (Team Vicar-designate), Cowley Team Ministry (Oxford). The Rev Alan Wadge, Rector, the Ridgeway parishes, and Rural Dean of Wantage (Oxford): to continue as Rural-Dean of Wantage for a further four years.

four years. The Rev Christine Warrilow, Vicar, St. Jude, Stockbridge Village: to be Vicar, St. John, Hindley Green

believed to be the first French regional Revolution. Napoleon reintroduced law concern to open an office in London. them in 1812. It is a criminal offence for As a French-qualified avocat, he is anyone other than a qualified avocat to entitled to appear in the English courts wear them. wearing his robes, although he has not The robes must be worn for ceremoniyet plucked up the courage. "I took them to a hearing at Staines Magistrates" Court, but did not wear them." he said. al occasions including the opening of the judicial year in each French region. They must also be worn by the avocat at "They did not seem to add much to my client's chances of a fair trial." all court hearings, but their design in buttoning up completely gives the law-yers substantial leeway as regards what the Middle Ages except for a brief period

Dinners

when they were banned after the French

Mr A.E. Bailey Mr G.M.Q. Blackden and Miss S.A. Blofield

The Duke of Edinburgh, Patron, Outward Bound Trust, this evening attended a Dinner at St James's Palace.

The Baroness Trumpington Baroness in Waiting) represented The Queen at the Memorial Service for the Baroness Stedman formerly a Baroness in Waiting which was held in the Chapel of St Mary Undercroft, Palace of ster, today.

CLARENCE HOUSE

July 18: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was present this evening at a Festival Service for the Friends of St Paul's which was held in St Paol's Cathedral.

The Hon Mrs Rhodes and Sir Alastair Aird were in attendance.

ST JAMES'S PALACE

July 17: The Prince of Wales today ted Students attending his Institute of Architecture's first American Summer School of Architecture at Biltmore House, North Carolina. His Royal Highness later hosted a Dinner for International Patrons of his Institute of Architecture.

July 18: The Prince of Wales this

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ment Executive building, Abbey Wood, at 11.15. The Duke of Edinburgh will open the new engineering faculty building at Bristol University at 10.10. The Duke of Gloucester, accompanied by the Duchess of Gloucester

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will take the salute at a perfor mance of the Royal Tourna ment at

Luncheon

Company of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators

Earls Court at 1.45.

Patriarch Bartholenew I. Arch-bishop of Constantinople and Ecumenical Patriarch; Professor Ur-Mr Clifford H. Grinsted, Master of the Company of Chartered Ecumenical Patriarch: Professor Ur-sula King, Professor of Theology and Religious Studies, University of Bris-tol: Professor Choan-Seng Song-Professor of Theology and Asian Cultures at the Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley, California, and Religion, Berkeley, California, and Regional Professor of Theology at the South East Asia School of Theology in Sineaurore and Home Kong: and Secretaries and Administrators. assisted by the Wardens, Mr Geoffrey S. Finn and Rear-Admiral James Carine, presided at a luncheon held yesterday at Barber-Surgeons' Hall. The Master, Air in Singapore and Hong Kong and the Very Rev Professor Emeritus T.F. Torrance, Professor of Christian Dogmatics, the University of Edin-burgh, 1952-79, and Moderator of the Chief Marshal Sir William Wratten. Commander Allied Air Forces, Western Europe, were the speakers. Sir Robert Fellowes and Air Vice-Marshal Terence Sher-General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, 1976-77. rington were among the guests.

Dean of West (Trung The Rev Robert Ivell, Vicar, Laugh-ton-en-le-Morthen: to be Vicar, Wadworth (Sheffield).

The Rev Michael Kippaz, Curate, Woughton Team Ministry local ecumenical project: to be Team Vicar, Woughton Team Ministry (Oxford). Wongnam team ministry (Oxford). The Rev Cosmon John Lungley, Vicar, Kingswinford, St. Mary; to be Team Rector at St. Mary's, Kingswinford Team Ministry (Worcester). The Rev Colin Matlock, Vicar, St.

Mary's. Hertiow (St Albans): to be Vicar, Linsladr (Oxford),

The Rev Graham Mayer, formerty Curate, Paignion: to be Priest-in-charge, Christow, Trusham, Bridkord and Ashton (Exeter). The Rev Richard Miller, Vicar, Aldermaston w Wasing and Brimpton: to be Associate Priest, SL Nicolas, Newbury (Oxford). The Rev Geoffrey Mills, Restor, Whiston, Rotherham (Sheffield): to be also an Honorary Canon of Sheffield Catherland Cathedral. The Rev Paul Nash, Priest-in-charge, SL Jude, East Brixton: to be Vicar, St. Jude, East Brixton [Southwark].

The Rev Brian Nicholls, Curare (NSM), Oakham w Hambleton and Epicton and Braunston w Brooke: to be Rector, Edith Weston w North Luffenham and Lyndon w Mar (Peterborough).

The Rev Marion Palmer, Curate, St. Mary Magdalene, Gillingham: to be

The Rev Jeremy Whales, permission to officiate, diocxee Gloucester, to be Clergy Widows' Officer for the caham Archdeaconry, san diocese. Resignations and retirements The Rev Susan Rose, Assistant Cu-rate, St. Mary's, Wombwell, and St. George's, Jump (Sheffield): to retire on August 31 on grounds of ill health. The Rev Conrad Sargisson, Honor-

ary Priest-in-charge, St Hilary (Truro): to retire August 31. The Rev Colin Shaw, Rector, Biedlow w Saunderton and Horsenden (Ox-ford): retired July t.

Reception

Durbar Club By permission of the Directors of Coutts & Co. the Durbar Club held a Reception yesterday evening at 440, Strand, WC2, in honour ul the Indian High Commissioner and Mrs L.M. Singhvi. The Right Hon Michael Howard, MP. the Right Hon Jeremy Hanley. MP, the Right Hon Alastair Goodlad, MP, and Lord and Lady Weatherill were present. Mr Narindar Saroop read a message from the Prime Minister.

Arbuthoot, and Mr and Mrs Richard

HM Government

Mr Anthony Nelson, Minister for Trade, was the host at a dinner given by Her Majesty's Government last night al Lancaster House

in honour of ECGD's Export Guarantees Advisory Council. European-Atlantic Group Lord Dahrendorf, Chairman of the European-Atlantic Group, presided at a dianer discussion given last night at the St Ermin's Hotel for Judge David Edward, QC, and Company, 65; Mr Dominic Muldowney, director of music, Nat-Judge of the Court of Justice of the European Communities, who was

ional Theatre, 44: Mr Lie Nastase, a speaker. Viscount Montgomery tennis player, 50; Mr Adrian Noble, of Alamcin, president, the Hon Bernard Jenkin, MP, and Dr John mistic director, Royal Shak Company, 40; Dr Archie Norman, paciliatriciae, 84; Sir Frederick Reid, MP, also spoke, Earlier, a meeting was held at the House of O'Brien, OC, former Sheriff Principal Commons by courtesy of Mr Genffrey Clifton-Brown, MP. of Lothian and Borders, 79; Air Chief Marshal Sir David Parry-Evans, 61: Mr Dennis Stevenson, a trustee, Tale Gallery, SI: Judge Sir Lawrence Verney, Recorder of Lundon, 72;

Legal appointment

Professor Adrian Webb, Vice-Chan-The Queen has appointed John cellor, Glamorgan University, 53: Alexander Swanson to be a Circuit Judge. The Lord Chancellor will assign Mr Swanson to the North Eastern Circuit.

Edgar Degas, pa icr. Paris, 1834 ganist, 61; Professor R. Duckworth. Emeritus Professor of Oral Medicine, Edward Pickering, astronomer, Boston, Massachusetts, 1846; Charles Mayo, surgeon, Rochester, Minne-sota, 1865; Vladimir Mayakovsky, poet, Bagdadi, Russia, 1893; AJ, Cronin, novelist, Cardross, Strath-London University, 67; Baroness Elles, 75; Miss Evelyn Glennic, percussionist, 31; Sir Anthony Grobham, former chairman, Join clyde, 1896; Herbert Marcuse, philos-opher, Berlin, 1900. Consultants Committee, 66: Major-General D.E. Isles, 72; Dr Carole

Jordan, astronomer, 55; Mr Richard DEATHS: Petrarch, peer, Padua, Knight, former Headmaster, Oundle 1374: Matthew Flinders, navigator, London, 1814: John Playfair, mathand Monkton Combe schools, 81: Sir wilberforce, Bishop of Winchester William Laming, civil servant, 60; Professor Mary McGeown, nephrol-1869-73, Abinger, Surrey, 1873; Syngman Rhee, 1st President of the Republic of Korea 1948-60, Honolulu, ogist, 73; Mr Brian May, rock guitarist, 49; Sir David Money-Coutts, former chairman. Coutts 1065

The Mary Rose, the pride of King Henry Viti's battle fleet, sank in the Solent, 1545.

Isambard Kingdom Brunel's steam-ship Great Western was launched at speare Bristol 1837. The first all-metal liner. Brunel's Great Britain, was launched from Bristol. 1843; and brunght back to Britain from the Falklands on this day, 1970.

Middle Temple

Justice Aharon Barak, President of the Supreme Court of Israel, has been elected an Honorary Master of the Bench.

Mr Henry Wendt, former chairman, Smithkline Beecham, 63; Professor Richard Whitfield, Warden, St George's House, Windsor Castle, 58. TRADE: 0171 481 1982

FAX: 0171 481 9313 Every friend says, 'I too am your friend's but some are friends in native only. What a montal grief it is when a dear friend twice into an energy. Exclassions 37 : 1.2 (REE) IN MEMORIAM -DEATHS DEATHS DEATHS TICKETS FOR SALE FOR SALE DEATHS DEATHS BIRTHS MARSON - Richard Dousies Gerald, Sobicitor of Robert Barber & Sora, Nothingham and Eastwood, nessed away proceduity on Jdin Jaly 1996. Funeral Service; Wodnenday 24th July at 2.30pm at the Onurch of the Holy Rood, Shillingstone, Dorset, Flowers' may be sent to Colin J. Close Funeral Olivertor. 18 Salisbury Street, Blandford Forum, Dorset, Memorial Service to be arranged. PRIVATE PEARSON-GEE - Annue inter Stratford) and James in a car accident an 16th July 1996. Very beloved wife and son of William, and mother and brother to Eleanor, Fuseral dpm on Tuesday, 23rd July al Heylesbury Parish Church, Children weicome. Date for the momorial service to be annoonced. Family Ilowers only. Donalisms to The Weaser Childron's Hospice Appeal c/o Mirs H. Downes, The Long House, Chillerne, BA12 ULO. GRAY - On Tuesday, 16th July 1996, peacefully In Burwash, Aodrey Mary Gray M.B.c. detel daughter of the late Cecil and Hilda Gray. Her fortlude to recent months will be remaindered always by whose who knew and lower her. She will be greatly missed by ber devoted family and many recents and any ber devoted family and many recents. Service at St Bartholomew's Chorch. Burwash on Thursday 25th July at 3 pm followed by private cremation. Family Invers oaly Blease. donations 11 desired to Hospice in the Weakl. c/o C Waterhouse & Som. High Street, Burwash, E. Sz. Tel (01435) 382219. NE TIMES - 1791-1996 other Mirs available. Ready for pre-JELLICOE - On July 17th. Peacefully and in the fullness of his years Sir Gootfrey Jeticoe CBE, RA. Fuberal Thursday July 25th 13.00m at Ooders Green Crematorium. Family OGSETTER - On 16th July, to Tamain (nice Stevenson) and William, a son, Henry Goorge de Sola (Jarry). ANTOS - Natasha Rabeca FINDON - Charlotte H.L. 19.7.72 - 16.2.90. Happy Birthday 24 loday. Forever deardy befoved Daughter to Lynda sister to Benjamin. Kind. clever and boautiful, a great and terrible loss. Let those lar away and near have Coda Justice for what they have done. Rest in peace my Charlottle Roo till we meet again Marn. OURTNEY - Adamsto Remember When 0323 Casilelowngeoghegan, Co Wesimeath, ireland, July 18th 1996 (peacefully) at the General Hospital Mullingar, Reputite London Mullingar, Sunday Olei-6 ABSOLUTELY BIRTHS General Hospital Mullingar. Benedict loving busband of Ellern and dear father of Anita, Derniot, Paul and Aidan. Sadly missed by his sorrowing wife, largily. orgodobidren, relatives and ALL TICKETS SEN-SHALL - On 17th Jul at Guy's Hospital. to Martin (née Huskamp) and Mo, Sherifi horn on 2nd July to Spring horn on 2nd July to Syma and Eduardo Sanlos. Thunka to all staff at UCH who assisted with the birth. HHEPHERD - On July 16th, In New York, to Kalberthe Unes Shreve Hooker) and Crematorium. Family Grematorium. Family flowers only please but if desired donations may be thade to the Laodiscape Foundation, Ia Doughly Suvet. London WCNI 252. A Memorial Meeting will be Last Night Proms MUSICAL at Guy's Hos (née Huskan son, Jonathan Cricket INSTRUMENTS Oasis, Eagles, Tinz OUR PIANOS are on a dist They're losing SEC's London's affernative plane sale is new on. Select, restoration, unaing and from a furr with option to buy Branches across Loren Sec-vice Unroughout the UK. Markaon Plane of 171 936 8669 (NWII 0181 854 4817 pSE18) Turner, Celine Dione, Glorin Estefan, Sting, CAPPELL - On July 15th 1996. to Carolyn (nee Hall) and Mark, a son, Matthew Joseoh. a brother to Catherine. sorrowing wife, largily, grandchildren, relatives and friends. Real to peace. Removal from Gilsenan's Funeral Home. Multingar his Friday at 6.30 o't to St Michaol's Chorch. Cadetown, arriving 7 o'c. Mass kenorrow Saturday at o'c. Puneral brundelately allerwards to local centery. Engulicies to Gilseaan'a Undertakers tel: 010 365 44 40926. James, a McDowell son, Jame be arrange Martin Gaerre, CARR - On 13th July in Paris lo Krysia Ibée Reiti and Edward, a soo, Richard Wiodzimierz Frédéric, a brother for Zosia. GIFTS MARTIN - Yvorne Elizabeth on July 17th peacefully at home after a thort Elmess borne with great courage and dignity. Dear mother of Stuart and Albahar, Funeral Service at All Saints Church, Swallowfield. On Wednesday July 24th at 2 bru, followed by a private cremailon. Family flowers only bot Phantom. JOHN - David Richard died pracefolly on July 13th. Consultant Surgeon (retired) al Hillogdon, Moult Vermon and Harefield Hospitals. beloved husband of Mary, father of Elizabeth. Nicholas and Kalinyn and brother of Diana. Private crematica. Service of Celebration of Davids life al St. Amethys Chorch. Westiteld Park. Natch End. Middlesex on Friday 2nd August al 12 noon. No flowers please. OLG. DLU. PROUDFODT - Michael Bryan (Hoof) tradically at Duratord Airfield on July 14th 1996 aged 54 yress. Froseral Service 1 pm Turenday July 23rd at Si Michael and All Aogels Parish Church, Hughenden. Pamily Howers enty pices. but domitions. If destruct, in The Bollie of Brillen Memorial Trust. Co Suman & Horwood Pulmeral Service. 25 High Sircel, Priaces Risborough, H927 OAE. ROOKE - On Monday ISM July, Kathieen Mary (Jane) mée Narie, dearty lowed wife of the late Denis, passed sway peacefully at Commit Beoches. She will be sordly missed by her devoled children John and Shella. her sity grandculturen and Inves meut-granochildren. All th atre, pop and ROUDFODT - Michael Inst. Soberbly pro-Freehold 0500 906609 DEATHS Sport PEL GAZALET - On July 8th, 10 Mandy ince Saville) and Andrew, a son. Harry James Laurence. Freepla **CC** Hedine ALEXANDER - Peacefully ALEXANDER - Peacefully on July 135M Margaret agod 83. wido w of Horina a Alexander, inoliber of Cartoline and Steohen. Enguines in F.W. Peace. tel: (0181) 892-1784. BARTON - Pauline Bellemy (née Siranson) died peacefully on Monday July 150. Beloved wife of Kin, much loved mother of Kale and David and mother is-law of Hogo. Fineral Service at Subbury Crementorium on Friday July 26th at 2.20 pm. EARTRAM - On July 18th at 0171 357 9988 RENTALS FLATSHARE 40925. Laurence. GAYNOR - On July 1105, in Annabel (née Hickman) and ACCESS TICKETS Speciality and all Major sold out riversta. Bor stor. pop. sport and: 0171 821 6510 CENTRAL London, Choice of 1-9 brd flatchouse for long/short in Fr 2520 pw 0173 395 1156 EARL9 COUNT, Chemitel 1 bedrm flat on nice creatent. 3 ming lube, roof trrr, all new decs & immissions, ct/wm, _C240pw Tel: 0468 725399 LARDHS COURT Der room I not smothy prof. mie 20's ge den Bal, Starre 1 other. 10 m sube. 2020 + bits. Avail Aug. Tel: 0173 381 1816 Eve Marcaret Elanch Annabel (née Hickman) and Patrick, a daughter, Lucy, a sister for Joba and Louisa. GAENELAM - LUKE (Percy Luke Singon) died sotidenly on 17th July 1996 aged 47 days. Most beautiful and adored son of Emma and Sinoop and brother of Matt. Gracie and Naturha is loved by all and will be missed for ever and will be missed for ever and trice. Functal will be at St Mary's Hedgerley at 11 am. Saturday 20th July 1996 (flowers in church). always known as Peggy, pencefully on 18th July at home near bawich aged 94. Beloved mother of Peter and Family flowers only i donstions if desired Macmilian Cancer Trust. Macmilian Cancer Trust. McLEAR - Or Robia S1 Viocent, 44 years old al McLasel Sobol House, Mount Vernon Hospilal, Northwood, died oo wednesday 17th July. Much tored husband of Valcrie and talher of Georgina and James, Funeral Service al the Church of Our Lady Help of Christiana. Reizmansworth, on Monday 220d July al 12 mon. OOCH - On 18th July 1996. to Claire Inée Suler) and Charles, a son, Charles David ALL AVAIL Phantom, all the-atro. Eagler, 7 Turner, Gasts All sport 0171 480 0183 PLGRAVIA, EDury R. 3 mina Victoria, Share bright 2 bodroomed field. 6% floor secure block with HL porter etc. Cura bedrecht. Share strag room, schrroditt, kilchen, Sult John and moch love John and moch loved grandmother and great grandmother. Funeral private: Lamby Boweta only piesse but donations may be sent to Whippet Rescue. 9 Natherley Road. Sidoup. DA1d 4EM. A Memorial Service will be held later. ANS Room in lineary terraced bourse all mod cons. conv./quiet loc. Suit s/a mit prof/rac. SNSOrm incl. 0181 741 2250 after 6pm Guy. HAWLEY - On July 15th, to Victoria (née Prisianno) and Charles, a daughter, Miranda Alice, a sister for Locy. ALL SPORT Bought & sold Phan-tom Case, T. Turber, Deliver Central Landon 0171 240 0800 LEITCH - A. Gordon. Trapically, while on holiday in Cyprus. on Join 12th, 1996. Dr A. Gordon Leitch Isc. MB. ChB, PhD, FRCPE. FCCP. beloved instand of Jean. dearly loved (sither of Andrew, Lizze and Harry and brother of Alan and Graham. Service at Mapfield Salisbury Parish Church, Mayfield Road. Edithourgh on Monday July 22nd at Som lo which all friends are invited. Committal thereafter private. roam, professional male/female. £125ew. 0171 #24 8270 or 735 7737 Alice a sister for Lucy. HENLEY - On 16th July, to Caroline and Otiver, a son. Edward Andrew, a brother lor John. Elizabeth and TICKETS 5 Nation Icket, Tina Turner, Oas ALL THORETS 5 Nations. Cricket, Time Twrner, Oasis, Eagles, all major pop. sport & Destre, Tet: 0171 926 0086 Friday July 26th at 2.20 pm. **EARTRAM** - On July 18th at her honce of Wymonthiam, Nortols. Cladars Edith, lowing wife of Rusself. Numeral Service at Wymondham Methodist Church on Friday July 26th at 2.45 pm. Donations for Wymondham Methodist Church may be cell c/o R_J. Bartram and Soo Fumeral Directors. Wymondham. CHANDLER - Chas. 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Donalions if wished to csACCT charity of your choice. EDINEURCH dbie m ouring fe tivel, central new town fit 2600pcm. /wkly lets post (013) 313 6816/ 596 8078 HUGHES - On July 15th 1996. to Sarah (per Gower MOLLISON - On 17th July 1996, suddenly, Joao Palifica (née Loring), darling wife of Pender for 52 years and adored by her daughters Lavinia and Piona and her Sevea grebdchildren. Funeral arrangements later. Williams) and Robin, a daughter. Jessica Flota, a sister for Louella. TICKETS FOR SALE DOMESTIC & CATERING SITUATIONS JOHN - On 775 July 1996, to Amanda (new Proctor) and Witiliam, a daughter, Rebelah Angharad Califa. Closic. Cerl. Emily Rose Giaire and Jack. Great grandfather of Luke and Jamis. All enquiries 10 Directors, Wythendham, CHANDLER - Chas. Funeral Service to be held at Si George's Church, Cullercoats, spi Mondey 22nd July at 2.30 pm. Friends please ment at church, Fanshy howers only please. 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Loved by all Gross whose lives he Ameral Brangements (o L.) Weston Funeral Directory No 25. 17, Leyton Road Harpenden, tel: (01882 LEWERS - Isobel Mariore, widow of Paddy Lewers, Great home on Jaly 17th Cremation at Penimouni. Traro, on Tuesday July 23rd at 3:20 pm. Fanily Bowers only olease. Donations appreciated to Wynsiones Bursary Fund". Exeturies 1013261 573080/101326) 280132. PERSONAL VALET FOR SALE for private residence in the W1 area, Position will involve some curopena travel, a clean driving license is essential. Some French would also be an advantage. This is a sirve-in postion, non-smoker preferred. Excellent Salary. When responding to advertisements readers are advised to establish tho ince value and full details of tickets before Harpen honory with family cover by all those whose lives he -iouched. Funeral in North Wales has (alter place. A Methorial Service will be held al 9.30 am at the Holy Name Chorch, Bercsford, Road, Oxion, Bickenhead, on Monday 22nd July. be sent to: Cat Scanber Appeal, North Typeside General Hospital, Rake Lane, North Shields, NE29 SNH only, but denations welcome in his memory to the RNE Talking Booka (Mrs V Alkinson), Mount Pleasant HVING-BELL - On July 13th la Sydecy. Australia. Hamsh, beloved son of the late Wiag Commander Inving-Bell and Mrs Canning. Contact: M Jones 46 Queen Anne Street, RITCHIE - On July 12th at Hammersmith Hospital. to Curoline Wright and Michael entering into any commitment. Most sports London WIM 9LA. Wembley, HAO IRR. Memorial service ia Iba Cheques made pays tickets are subject to strict "North Typeside Healt Care Trus SP26". ne-anie and transfer fules. . a daughter. ry Elizabeth itch ta nday 22nd July.

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Paul Touvier. French war criminal. died in prison in Paris on July 17 aged 81. He was born on April 3, 1915.

A VICHY official with the sombre distinction of being the only Frenchman to have been convicted of crimes against humanity. Paul Touvier was senienced to life imprisonment in 1994 for ordering the execution of seven Jews in Lyons in 1944. But the manner in which he was able to avoid being brought to justice for so long reopened old wounds in the French psyche as painful as the memory of the crimes he originally committed against his nwn countrymen.

Although sentenced to death in absentia in 1946 and 1947. Touvier managed, thanks to the French Roman Catholic Church, to escape retribution - often hidden from the public eye in monasteries and other religious houses - for more than forty years. In 1971. under pressure from leading Church officials, President Pompidou even granted him a pardon. But this outraged Jewish and Resistance groups.

When he was finally arrested in 1989 while secreted in a Benedictine priory in Nice. II was adjudged that under the French 20-year limitation law he could no longer be re-tried for his war crimes. But like his Gestapo boss Klaus Barbie, who had been jailed in 1987 (and who died in 1991), he was not to find in this limitation an escape from justice. A new charge uf crimes against humanity" was prepared and il was under this that he was finally brought to book in a Versailles courtroom in April 1994.

Like Barbie, the "Butcher of Lyons". Touvier, known as the "Hangman of Lyons", was a relatively perty official. But this was little consolation for the city's inhabitants who suffered such misery under the ministradons of the two men during the war years. While Barbie ran the city's Gestapo, Touvier was head of its Milice, the police force created by the French wartime authorities to help its German counterpart in the work of suppressing resistance and persecuting Jews.

Paul Touvier's father had fought in the First World War and was a passionate admirer of Pétain, defender of Verdun (and later head of the collaborationist Vichy regime). Conservative Catholics, the family were ardent supporters of Action Francaise, ership qualifies. As head of the Milice, Touvier was which had been founded in 1899 by the rabidly anti-Semitic writer Charles Maurras in the wake of the Dreyfus hunting down suspects and handing them over to the Gestapo chief's case. Brought up in this fanatical atmosphere, Touvier was from an ethy age imbued with the notion that Milice as his personal police force, the Jews were responsible for the death running protection rackets and extortof Christ, and an accursed race.

He went to school at the Prado pain of denunciation. Among the crimes he committed at this period were the kidnapping and seminary in Lyons but left early having achieved little educationally. Theremurder of an elderly Jewish couple, a after he had a series of lowly jobs until was called up into the Army. His unit was virtually annihilated during the German Blitzkrieg of the following year when it came under Stuka attack.

PAUL TOUVIER



Touvier under guard in the Versailles courtroom in 1994

witz of another Jewish family. But the crime of which he was Touvier came under suspicion of having deserted but was cleared. In any event this blemish on his record eventually convicted was the murder in was not held against him when he June 1944 of seven Jews on the orders applied to join the Milice, set up by of the Gestapo, in reprisal for the Petain to enforce the precepts of "Travaille, famille, patrie" which had shooling of a the Vichy propaganda chief Philippe Henriot by a member of replaced the French Republic's the Resistance. Touvier was always "Liberté, egalite, fraternité" as the afterwards to claim that he had watchword of the puppet Vichy state. negotiated hard with the Gestapo to How such an inadequate individual have the figure of ot-for-tat victims as Touvier came to be appointed head brought down to seven from 30, and of the Milice for the Lyons and Rhone that without his strenuous intervention region is not clear. But he and his many more deaths might have been required. But this has never been family had been enthusiastic recruits to the service from the very first, and doubtless anti-Semioc, anti-republican substantiated by independent testimony and given Touvier's persistent antizeal counted for more in such a job Semitism seems unlikely. than forensic, administrative and lead-With the Liberation many collabora-

tionists of Touvier's ilk were summarily dealt with by lynch mobs, but Touvier came under the protection of the mysterious order of the Chevaliers de Notre Dame, a Catholic body which hid him and protected him. Over the next forty years he surfaced occasionally. He was arrested in Paris in 1947 but escaped and fled into hiding again. He was thought to have been moved

between monasteries in Savoy and Piedmont. After the lapse of the 20-year limitation which effectively invalidated the death sent him after CP Dass

given was that "The time has come to throw a veil over the period when the French were engaged in hatred, civil strife and even murder."

But the President had widely miscalculated the public mood and Touvier was forced back into hiding when Resistance and Jewish survivors of Vichy persecution brought more evidence of his atrocities into the open. Even so, it was to be almost another twenty years before justice was eventually done. The arrest and conviction of the Nazi Klaus Barbie undoubtedly gave this process some impetus. Why, asked France on that occasion, should a German be the sole scapegoat for crimes in which Frenchmen had also

had complicity? At his trial Touvier expressed no remorse for his crimes. As the repug-nant entries in his fairly recent diaries made quite clear, he had remained anti-Semitic to the end. Sentenced to life imprisonment, Touvier had latterly suffered from prostate cancer and his family had twice requested a presidential pardon on the grounds of ill-health. Both requests were refused. Touvier

died in the hospital wing of Paris's Fresnes Prison, whose name is infamous for the Vichy and Gestapo brutality visited upon Frenchmen

SIR DOUGLAS MILLER

Sir Douglas Miller. KCVO, CBE, former colonial educator, died on July 11 aged 89. He was born on July 30, 1906.

DOUGLAS MILLER'S finest hour came in Uganda where. as director of education between 1952 and 1958, he pushed through a rapid programme of expansion for its schools and colleges. Much of the credit must go to the farsighted governor Sir Andrew Cohen who perceived - ahead of everyone else - the need to prepare the country for independence a decade later. But in Miller he found the ideal

chief executive. Miller had already made his mark in colonial education after coming to Africa in 1930 as superintendent of native eduation in Northern Rhode-sia (Zambia). One of the schools he founded in the country's outlying districts was still known in recent years as "Miller's School". Over oft 2ins tall and well built, Douglas Miller cut an imposing figure as he strode through the African bush, his bearers strung out behind him carrying tents, fresh water, and piles of textbooks.

In Basutuland (now Lesotho) after the Second World War he became one of the youngest directors of education in the colonial service, before moving to Nyasaland (Malawi) and then 10 Uganda. Two successive education commissions had identified the country's most pressing needs, which were secondary schools and teacher training colleges. Not only the number of schools but the quality of their staff required urgent upgrading. Cohen fortunalely had the

resources to fund the pro-gramme. A reserve fund had been thoughtfully established some years previously to support Uganda's vital industries - mainly cotton and coffee in the event of a sudden world collapse in prices. As it hap-pened, both industries had flourished, allowing the fund to accumulate untouched. With more than £40m in the kitty - a vast sum by African standards forty years ago - it was decided to invest some of this in education.

Miller's strengths lay not so much in his knowledge and understanding of education. as in his political skills and determination. These quali-



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admiration and friendship of Sir Evelyn Baring whom he had worked under elsewhere. Baring, by now governor of Kenya, was facing similar prublems in Nairobi, particularly over schools for Kenyan Asians, II was he who persuaded Miller to move there in 1958, at a time when independence was clearly on the East African horizon. Initally director of education in Kenya, Miller took over the job of permanent secretary in the following year, then became the colonial minister of education, before retiring and returning to Britain in 1961. Douglas Sinclair Miller had been brought up against a strong background of educadon. Born to British parents in Ontario, he was himself the son of a schoolmaster who sent him to Westminster School followed by Merton College, Oxford, Miller took a second class degree in Greats, but was always disappointed not to have come away with a

first, which he felt would have rewarded his parents for the sacrifices they had made to send him there. He joined the colonial service on graduat-ing. He was appointed OBE in 1948 and advanced to CBE in 1956.

ly, after a serious fall. Miller's wife Valerie

the King George Jubilee Trust. set up in 1935 to help young people throughout the Commonwealth and now part of the Prince's Trust. He retired at the age of 65 and was knighted in the following year. At the same time, however, he accepted the part-time jnb of industrial adviser to the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme, encouraging firms to introduce the scheme for young apprentices. With the co-operation of the Home Office, he also extended the scheme to cover a number of young offender institutions. But his own extensive travelling around the country was curtailed, following a bad fall down the steps of Coventry station. He gave up this work, too, 11 years ago. Miller was not an easy man

to know. He had the reputadon of being slightly aloof and a stubborn taskmaster. But this was relieved by an

irreverent sense of humour particularly in later years and he always relaxed with his family at home. No one doubted his strength of will. It was this which enabled him to recover from a major operation for cancer some years ago. His death came sudden-

a Lyons synagogue, the torture and deportation to Mauthausen concentration camp of a member of the Resistance, and the sending to Ausch-

very much the legman for Barbie.

torturers. He was also able to use the

ing money from Jewish businesses on

the war, he emerged more frequently. When, in 1971, President Pompidou pardoned him and ordered his property to be restored to him, the reason of a previous marriage.

within its walls during the war. Touvier is survived by his wife Monique, and by a son and daughter

Cohen's own energy and intel-ligence enabled six fruitful years of high achievment. But Miller had also won the

Miller was despondent after leaving the colonial service on retirement. But then he se-

he married in 1933 after meeting her through badminton, died 18 months ago. He is cured the post of secretary to survived by their daughter.

Engel Lund, folk singer, died on June 15 aged 95. She was born in Rcykjavik on July 14. 1900.

PERSUASIVE as a siren, the folk singer Engel Lund seemed possessed of the power to capture the soul of a nadon in song. A statuesque figure, her imposing height swathed in dark, unadorned robes, she took command of her audiences, seducing them with the sweetness of her voice. With her hair slicked back, she musical education. She started sometimes looked like some with conventional lieder, but enormous benevolent seal, but

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she charmed those who saw her with her ravishing smile. She could perform at a conference, it was said, where delefolk melodies. She was mixing art and folk songs in her recitals when, in gates of several countries would be present, and each would think that she came 1929, in Hamburg, her accomfrom his homeland. She sang. apparently without accent, in

panist fell sick and an aunt recommended she try out a twenty languages or more. Engel Lund was born in young planist called Ferdinand Rauter, nicknamed Lowe or Lion. He was to play for her Iceland where her father was for the next 31 years, working working as an apothecary, but in close partnership with her, though they never became when she was II years old her family moved back to Denmark, their country of origin. It was there that Lund had her overs. Lund's success with folk

songs eventually led her to concentrate on them entirely,

began to perform folk music after studying Ravel's work based on Hebrew and Greek a sensitive arranger. He, like a sensitive arranger. He, like Lund, seemed instilled with a respect for the songs and a sympathy for the milieu from which they arose. They studied each song. comparing it with other ver-

ENGEL LUND

sions, working on it for a year or sometimes two before final-ly performing it in public. They toured Europe in the 1930s, visiting its Eastern countries as well as France, Germany and Scandanavia. The pair also visited the United States for two successful tours.

With the outbreak of war in 1939, Lund and Rauter settled in England and gave numerous performances, except for during a brief period when Rauter was confined, as an enemy alien, to the isle of Man. But he was freed before long and throughout the 1940s and 1950s performed up to one hundred concerts a year in many different lands. In 1960, however, she retired and returned to Iceland where she became a professor in Reykjavik. Ostensibly she taught singing, but she was in truth much more interested in

teaching diction, movement and dramatic technique. She was treated like a princess in this land of her birth. Numerous honours were bestowed on her and she was even asked to act as First Lady on certain occasions when the wife of President Sven Bjornson was indisposed.

Known to her friends as Gagga", she enjoyed a keen sense of humour and outspo-ken opinions. She once told Peter Pears that she loved everything about him except his voice. She was a voracious reader and at times appeared to be more interested in literature than in music. But it was in music that she left her

NEED OF CLEANER RIVERS.

Westminster, Monday.

The Lords had two interesting discussions. The first arose out of LORD STRACHIES indignation with The Times for suggesting that the income of the Empire Marketing Board was the payment of a debt of honour, and did not harm the British producer.

The second debate arose out of LORD MILDMAY'S serious warning that the vol-untary Committee on River Pollution had practically exhausted its possibilities. Cooperation with the polluters had done much to keep or restore the purity of a source of potential danger in human and animal life. but many streams were still being fouled through ignorance or negligence. Neither the Committee nor the Ministry of Agriculture had any executive power, and although the Fisheries Board had punitive powers, their exercise was difficult, expensive, and, it might be, ruinous to industry. It was therefore essential to create some central, inter-departmental authority for the whole of our rivers. within the limits of the need for national economy but adequate to the importance of the task. LORD BALFOUR fully agreed with the necessity of the work, but was equally impressed with its difficulty. It was often

exhausted its possibilities, so the Government set up an advisory committee to "explore the possibilities" of river control and the causes of pollution

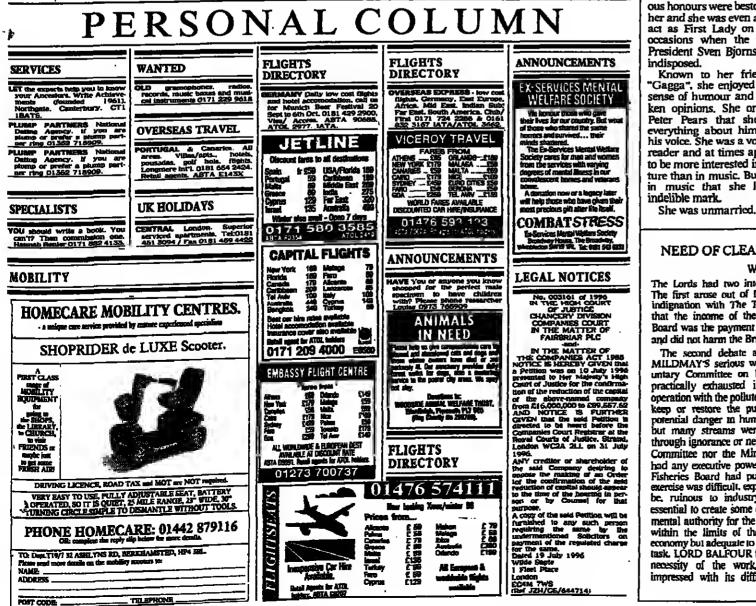
necessary to choose between the purity of a river and the ruin of a factory or a new industry. For example, the effluents from low temperature carbonization, coke ovens, beet sugar, and artificial silk were extremely noxious. The solution was probably research into the proper method of rendering them innocuous, and the Government had already set up a special Committee of expents to coordinate, select, and extend the world-wide experiments being carried on in this direction. Complementary to research was administration. The Government had decided to set up an inter-departmental Advisory Committee under SIR HORACE MONRO, which should

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explore the possibilities of more harmonious and connected control of rivers, and continue the attempts to deal with certain causes of pollution, such as sewerage, for which loans totalling £5,000,000 had been made in a year.

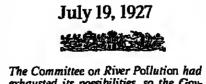
THE RUSSIAN BALLET.

One of the advantages of ballet as a form of art, and still more as a form of entertainment. art, and stul more as a form of entertainment, is its adaptability. Stravinsky's Song of the Nightingale, given for the first time in a new guise, that is, with new choreography by Georges Balanchine and scenery and costumes designed by Henri Matisse, is transformed. It was originally an opera: then its music was concentrated into a symphonic poem, which was staged as a ballet by the Diaghilev company, and now, while the music remains the same, it appears in a new version in which simplification of the stage mechanism is carried considerably further. If simplification is to be carried out, precision in the movements seems doubly necessary. The courtiers should not hesitate when they form their grotesque patterns, and the audience should not be allowed to hear someone in the wings snapping his lingers to direct the trouper into their places. The rechnique of the Russian Ballet used to be above the reproach of amateurishness. It is not so now.



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THE TIMES TODAY

NEWS

Mystery of explosion on TWA 800

Two main theories for the cause of a crash which killed all 228 people aboard a TWA jumbo jet shortly after take-off from New York were being urgently pursued by investigators: a catastrophic engine disintegration which sprayed red hot shards of metal into highly combustible fuel - or a bomb.

President Clinton emphasised that the reason for the disaster was unknown. "Let's wait until we see the evidence," he said as ... Pages 1, 2, 3 he hailed rescuers

Children hurt as bus hits bridge

At least 48 schoolchildren were injured when the roof of their double-decker bus was ripped off in a collision with a low bridge at Runcorn, Cheshire. Fifteen of the children, aged between five and ten, were seriously hurt and five were said to

Major's orders

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John Major gave Conservative MPs their battle orders, telling them to stop being "bystanders or commentators" and to become advocates for the party and the policies in which they passionately believed Page f

Child killer jailed

The man who raped and murdered seven-year-old Sophie Hook was given three life sentences by a judge who called for action to give children greater ... Pages L 7 protection

Heritage chief goes

Chris Green, the chief executive of English Heritage, resigned following a report into "alleged irregularities" Page 1

Birt accused

MPs accused John Birt, the Director-General of the BBC, of being dictatorial, arrogant and running the BBC like "a kind ofPage 4 Tsar".

Going home

A woman evicted from the remote farm her family has occupied for 500 years could be back home next week after the intervention of a benefactor Page 5

Imran offer rejected

Ian Botham told the High Court that he had rejected Imran Khan's proposal to settle their dispute with an open letter to The Times because he did not regard it as an apology _____Page 5

Low-flying acquittal An RAF pilot whose low-flying

aircraft struck and killed a soldier, allegedly in a game of "chicken", was acquitted of manslaughter Page 6

Super bugs The growing number of bacteria which cannot be treated with any

existing antibiotic may cause a Tube strike anger

The Labour leadership was split

over Tony Blair's demand for London Tube workers to call off their strike John Prescott was furious about the tough line taken by his Shadow Cabinet colleague David Blunkett Page II

KGB on CD-ROM

The KGB has broken a 70 year code of silence with the release of a slick, interactive CD-ROM depicting the defection of Kim Philby, Guy Burgess and Donald Maclean Page 14

Rifle attack

The National Rifle Association threatened to withhold its endorsement of Bob Dole after he retreated from opposing a ban on assault weapons Page 14

French scandal The corruption scandal that is

haunting France took two new turns with the decision to remand in custody the head of the state railways and the arrest of the

Search for Caesar's invasion fleet

A search for ancient wrecks, including the remains of Julius Caesar's invasion fleet, has been launched by scientists using advanced sonar able to "peer" through mud. Researchers from Southampton University and the Hampshire and Wight Trust



Pc Steve Cleaver tests the latest Essex Police patrol boat at Southend. The 55 mph jet-ski will be used to chase skiers who ride dangerously

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Tony Blair is right to want the Tube strike called off. If Mr Blair's party is to speak credibly for the citizen and against vested interests then it should, audibly and enthusiastically, support him Page 19

Atlanta's hour

For the next two weeks the eyes of the world will be on the Atlanta Olympics. With the Americans in charge, a few matters may be certain: it will be meticulously organised and make a tidy ...Page 19 profit.

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Veni, Vidi — glug, glug This Roman shipwreck is a counter-intuitive reminder that Rome ruled the waves Page 19

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BERNARD LEVIN

Dear reader - would you be quite happy going regularly through a tunnel beneath the water which is constantly lifting and settling and which dates from 1908?.....Page 18 PHILIP HOWARD

The big match between Jan Botham and Imran Khan in the High Court is providing a midsummer entertainment. There is no point in complaining that it is childish. As friends say, the only difference between men and boys is the price of their toys - in this case the cost of the lawyers Page 18 PETER RIDDELL

The Tories' "New Labour, New Danger" strategy is aimed at rebuilding their core vote - and not before time to judge by the latest MORI aggregate Page II

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Sky high: Three executives will share £18 million from the sale of Belfast International Airport. They invested £50,000 each in a buyout two years ago Economy: Alan Greenspan, chair-

reassured markets that the Fed would raise interest rates if inflation pressures looked like increasing Markets: The FT-SE 100 rose 35.2 to 3693.4. Sterling was unchanged at 84.8 after a fall from \$1.5486 to

ished 168 runs ahead of Gloucestershire Racing: The British Horseracing Board will not take over the running of the Tote but is to have regular meetings with the Home Secretary to discuss the sport's problems .

is presenting an eclectic gathering of international musical Pop on Friday: Caitlin Moran on the misadventure of the T-in-th-Park rock festival; David Sinclair on albums from the Black Crowes and Toni Braxton Pages 32, 33

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ans the most talented entertainer in

It is to be hoped that Mr Lebed and all the other pretenders to the crown would remember that the Russian people, in spite of their hardships, voted for reform and democracy. In the meantime, we wish Mr Yeltsin a speedy recov-- Wall Street Journal In Corsica it is necessary first of all to re-establish the state of law. The

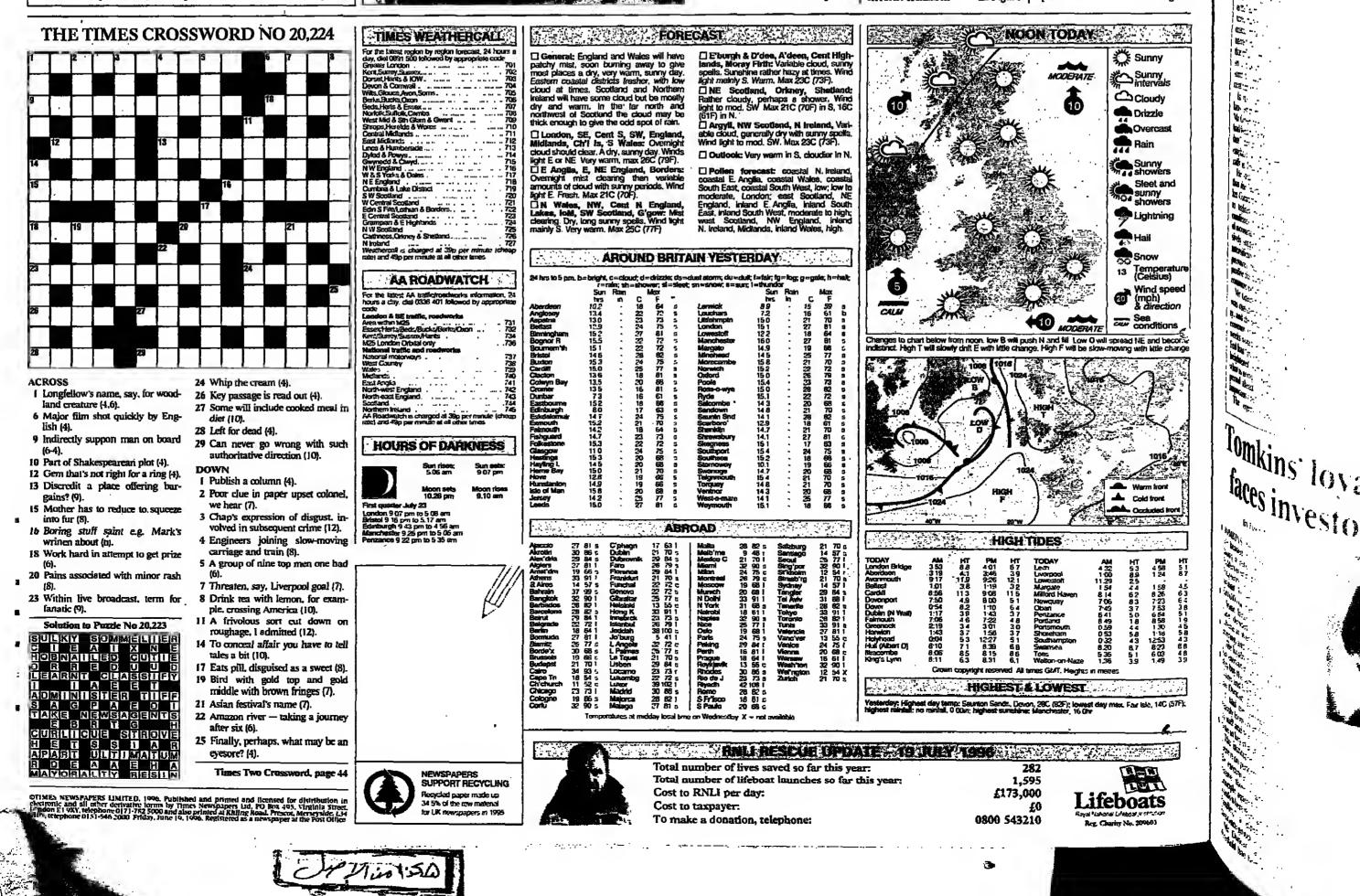
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tion is becoming uncontrollable, [on TV: Michael Howard; British history; the broadcasting of the Government must smash the terrorist escalation - Le Figaro opera. ... Page 19





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rally US markets BY JANET BUSH, ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

set to remain subdued but disagree on the reasons why. Some believe that consumer spending will not be as robust as the Chancellor hopes.

Separate figures from the Bank of England yesterday showed that M4 broad money supply grew by 10 per cent in the year to June, the same

taking up the rights. Kicinwort said that the re-mainder of the one-for-eight rights issue of 7.25 millioo new shares had been allocated to the sub-underwriting group. The issue was priced at £20.50 per share, against the closing price of £19.63 oo Wednesday,

Fast track

Railtrack, the recently privatised rail and signal operator, is to join the FT-SE 100 index to fill the vacancy created by the merger of Sun Alliance and Royal Insurance. Railtrack celebrated its

bonds rallied yesterday after Alan Greenspan, chairman of the Federal Reserve, reassured markets that the US central bank would raise interest rates if it seemed that inflation pressures look set to pick up, but did oot seem to suggest an imminent tightening of policy.

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In his Humphrey Hawkins testimony to Congress, Mr Greenspan said the Fed had become "especially vigilant" about inflation. an emphasis which triggered a rally in Treasury bunds.

He said: "I am confident that the Federal Open Market Committee would move to tighten reserve market conditions should the weight of incoming evidence persuasively suggest an oncoming intensification of inflation pressures that would jeopardise the durability of the economic expansion."

Mr Greenspan said there was considerable uncertainty, and the behaviour of the economy over the next few weeks would be crucial. The Fed had "moved to a level of heightened surveillance of what is going on because the period ahead is a relatively important one". The equity market fol-

some investors encouraged because they did not perceive any urgency about higher rates in Mr Greenspan's remarks. He said there were early indications that a period of favourable inflation, especially in the labour market, might be drawing to a close.

AMERICAN stocks and lowed bonds higher, with

M4 has been above the Gov-ernment's monitoring range of 3 to 9 per cent since late last year and was one of the reasons the Bank of England opposed the last guarter-point cut in base rates in June. But the Treasury put a positive gloss on the figures. saying that M4 growth during Some felt his language the second quarter appeared to have stabilised. Mr Clarke would have been stronger

had he expected a rate rise at the next FOMC meeting on played down the importance of M4 for his deliberations on August 20. In mid-session trading, policy when testifying to the the benchmark Treasury long bond had railied by about three-quarters of a point to yield 6.97 per cent. Oo Wall Street, the Dow Jooes industrial average

was nearly 50 points higher al 5,426.45. The dollar softened again yesterday as foreign ex-change dealers interpreted Mr Greenspan's remarks that any tightening in monetary policy may be some way off. At mid-session, it was quoted at DM1.4995, about half a cent off its earlier highs.

in Loodon, sbares closed at their best of the dayafter the bounce in the Dow. The FT-SE 100 finished up 25.2 points at 3,693.4.

Treasury Select Committee this week. Instead, he highlighted indicators in the real economy that showed sluggish activity and emphasised that he sees no sign of inflation pressures building up. In his own testimony to the committee, Eddie George, Governor of the Bank, suggested that strong M4 growth is incompatible with the Gov-

ernment's inflation target of 2.5 per cent or less but even he did not suggest that Britain was on the brink of an inflationary boom. City reaction to the figures

was neutral with some arguing that, despite M4, the Chancellor may still cut interest rates after his July 30 meeting with Mr George.

year-on-year rate as in May.

Ric Piper, left, and Michael Jeffries are going ahead with the flotation of W S Atkins

Lloyds Chemists fight is expected to resume

BY MARTIN WALLER

A BIDDING war is expected to resume today when lan Lang, President of the Board of Trade, clears the way for rival offers for Lloyds Chemists, the pharmacy chain.

A series of rising takeover bids for Lloyds, the last valuing it at £650 million, was put on hold in March by a reference to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. The bidders are UniChem, British owner of the Moss pharmacies, and Gehe, of Germany, buyer last year of the British pharmaceuocals

business AAH. At the time of the reference. Gehe had made the highest bid, worth £5 a Lloyds share, but UniChem held 10 per cent of Lloyds after a share-buying raid.

Sources close to the com-panies expect Mr Lang's verdict at noon today. The MMC is thought to have recom-mended letting the bids through, but making the winner sell part of its pharmaceutical wholesaling business.

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By JASON NISSÉ

- TOMKINS, the acquisitive conglomerate headed by Greg Hutchings, is facing a rebellion by leading shareholders over its proposal to introduce a long-term loyalty plan rewarding around 50 senior executives up to £260,000 of shares each.
- Some large institutional investors have decided to vote against the scheme at Wednesday's shareholders' meeting, and others may follow suit. The loyalty plan will give any of 50
- key executives up to 100,000 shares if they buy the same amount of Tomkins' shares and hold them for seven years. lan Duncan, Tomkins' finance direc-
- tor, said the company had suffered heavily from other firms headhunting its staff and was introducing the plan

to tie in key executives. The institutions are unhappy that there is no performance threshold that the executives will have to meet to receive those shares. "We are in principle against matching share rewards where there are no performance hurdles," a director of a leading

insurance group said. Mr Duncan said a performance appointment of any director over 70. Using the group's existing links with

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Hutchings: hopes to tie in key staff

the executives would have to borrow large sums to buy the shares at the beginning of the seven years and Tomkins found banks would only lend the money if there was a definite payout at the end.

The institutions have also raised worries about the appointment as a non-executive director of Charles Gates, chairman of Gates Corporation, the US group that Tomkins is buying for E753 million. Mr Gates is 75, and Mr Duncan said a performance most institutions routinely veto the

TBI, the property group that owns Cardiff airport, is to buy Belfast International Airport for £105 million. making it Britain's largest airport owner after BAA.

airport's three executive directors, who invested just £50,000 each in a management buyout from BAA two

The airport's 137 stakeholding employees, 70 per cent of its workforce, will share £10 million. Some invested

is expected to be £76,000. Mercury Asset Management, which backed the buyout with a £16.4 million investment, will sell its majority stake to TBI for £57 million, to be paid in cash and shares. MAM is to

11.5 per cent stake. Keith Brooks, TBI's chief executive, said the group would invest heavily in the airport, opening new commercial outlets to generate more passenger spending. He added that he intended to attract more international flights by

tour operators at Cardiff airport. Under TBI's ownership, Cardiff airport increased its operating profit by 63 per cent to £5.2 million in 11 months. lifting turnover 11 per cent to £145 million. Mr Brooks said he intended to achieve the same growth at Belfast. TB1's shares rose ip to 73'ap

yesterday, as it also reported financial results significantly ahead of analysts" predictions. In the year to March 31, its property portfolio grew 78 per cent to E190 million, swelled by the £98 millioo worth of property from its £43 million acquisition of Molyneux Estates. Rental income rose by 71 per cent to £16.3 million and it raised £30 million from the 13 properties it sold during the year.

Overall, group pre-tax profits rose 146 per cent to £10.1 million, beating forecasts of £6.1 million, Credit Lyonnais Laing is forecasting a further 78 per cent growth in pre-tax profits to El8 million next year. The final and total dividend was Ip (0.18p), paid from earnings which doubled to 2.93p per share (L40p).

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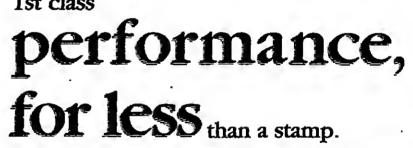
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British Biotech shares rebounded yesterday to close at £21.43. They were £36 in May. Meanwhile, the £198 million

flotation of WS Atkins, the engineering consultancy, is going ahead at 215p a share, valuing the holding of Mich-ael Jeffrics, chief executive, at £3 million. Ric Piper, finance director, has 180,000 shares.

promotion with a 4½ p rise to 214p. Markets, page 26 Watched dogs Energy regulators are to face parliamentary scrutiny during an investigation that could lead to a single regulator rather than separate bodies for electricity and gas.

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retain the shares, making it TBI's second largest shareholder with an

BY FRASER NELSON

BUSINESS NEWS

Broker is struck off by SFA

An investment broker who "churned" a client accouot and gave unsuitable advice has been expelled from the City by the Securities and Futures Authority. John Odell, who was paid oo a half-commission basis by Branston & Gothard, a private client stockbroking firm for whom he dealt on a self-employed basis, was also struck off the professional registers maintained by the SFA and ordered to pay costs of £3,000. Branston & Gothard, who compensated a client for an unspecified loss, was ordered to pay a £10,000 fine and £6,000 costs.

Graseby lift

Graseby, the electronic instruments company, may receive orders worth up to \$50 million over five years from the US Army and the US Department of Defence for its chemical agent detectioo system, GID3. It will receive initial orders of up to \$2 million.

Telemetrix fall Shares of Telemetrix fell 18p to 53p after the supplier of components for telecommunications and networking reported pre-tax profits of £200.000 (£4.9 million) in the six mooths to June 30. Earnings fell to 1p a share (3.2p). There is again no dividend.

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Chris Swan, head of Finelist, the motor parts distributor, aims to expand Motor World to more than 500 branches

Chambers urge caution on rates as confidence revives

BY PHILIP BASSETT, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

BRITAIN'S chambers of commerce yesterday gave a warning against interest rate changes and tax cuts, as they announced new evidence of an increase in business confidence and a reverse in the decline of the UK's manufacturing industry.

Leaders of the chambers (BCC) said that their latest quarterly survey showed the economy to be on a "sound footing" with no immediate evidence of overheating. Referring to the division between Kenneth Clarke, the Chancel-

lor, and Eddie George, Gover-nor of the Bank of England, further cuts in rates having to be followed promptly by new rate rises. BCC leaders also over interest rate policy. the chambers said that what the gave a warning against tax cuts in the Budget. Dr Peters survey was showing "is that we have to be extremely said business was "very concautious on interest rates". cerned" the Government Dr Ian Peters, Deputy Dimight run monetary and fiscal rector-General of the BCC, policy for political rather than economic reasons as the elec-tion drew closer: "It's imporsaid the Chancellor and Governor should "do nothing that tant the politicians keep their might endanger the recovery and allow inflationary pres-

heads." In its survey of more than 8.000 companies, the cham-Any changes in base rates had to be sustainable, he said, bers found that from a threeyear low in the last quarter,

manufacturing activity had recovered to its level of six months ago, mainly because larger firms were seeing a return to growth.

to expand the number of Motor World branches to Among service sector commore than 500 in the next three panies, sales growth had risen years. The acquisitioo will to the second-highest figure enhance earnings in the first recorded by the chambers, year. The company is likely to expand further by buying out with a net balance - those reporting an increase set independent operators, who still dominate the highly fragagainst those registering a fall - of 35 per cent of firms.

mented market, he said. of one third of manufacturing their families have accepted the offer on behalf of their 8.8 companies reporting an increase in export orders, the per cent holding. The balance

is owned by institutions, Manufacturers' confidence Motor World said yesterday that its pre-tax profit in the six months to April 28 was op by 13.1 per cent, to £2.15 million. on sales up by 24.1 per cent, to £30.9 million. It will pay a But the balance of manufacdividend of 3p a share. Finelist estimated its preinvestment plans upward has tax profit for the year to June 30 at £8.55 million. It will recommend a final dividend

In manufacturing, large firms are continuing to cut

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BY SARAH CUNNINGHAM

The bid of 75 new Finelist

The offer is in new shares

The merged company will be capitalised at almost £150 million.

enlarged company. The deal will combine

Finelist's 208 car parts sales depots. which trade as Ed-

munds Walker and Autela,

with the 330 Motor World

Mr Swan said that he hopes

Motor World directors and

parts retail outlets.

yesterday

Legal & General sees income up

SHARES in Legal & General advanced yesterday in response SHAKES in Legal & General advanced yesterday in response to encouraging figures on new business, particularly in the UK. Worldwide premium income rose by 39 per cent and UK premium income by 56 per cent, reflecting an upturn in the life assurance sector after two years of difficult trading in the industry. L&G's figures followed strong rises in new business this week from Prudential, the biggest life insurer. Sun Life, and Britannic. L&G's index-tracking investment products contributed to its success.

L&G's shares rose 15p, to 702p, and Lloyds Abbey Life, due to report interim figures next Wednesday, was up 14p, to 528p, on City expectations that its interim dividend will rise by 10 per cent. L&G's worldwide new life, pensions and investment business in the first half of 1996 was £185.6 million (1995: £133.3 million). The figures for both years oow include Pep and unit trust sales. UK oew business rose 56.4 per cent, to £141.5 million (1995: £90.5 million).

Electricity buyback

NORTHERN Ireland Electricity has renewed its remit to buy back up to 14.9 per cent of its shares. The company last year bought back 24 million shares to improve its capital structure. The company is awaiting the outcome of its first regulatory review, which will set prices for the next five years. Electricity prices are substantially higher in Northern Ireland than in the rest of the United Kingdom, largely because the company is locked into contracts with generators in the province.

Chris Swan. founder and chairman of Finelist, who floated the company in 1994, **MPs back Link scheme** will remain in charge, but Darreil Kershaw, Motor World's managing director, will join the board of the

THE Government's Business Links - one-stop shops providing services to local businesses - are one of the most important business reforms of the 1990s. the all-party Commons Select Committee on Trade and Industry said. In spite of some business scepticism about the scheme's role, the committee of MPs said: "We remain firm supporters of the concept of Business Link and continue to regard it as having enormous potential for improving competitiveness."

Fund's directors reply

THE directors of the \$200 million close-ended Malaysia Equity Fund yesterday revealed their restructuring proposals to counter those put forward six weeks ago by the UK arm of Peregrine, the Hong Kong investment house. British, Far Eastern and European shareholders in the fund, which is incorporated in the Cayman Islands, will now be asked to vote on both Peregrine's and Malaysia's plans to turn the fund into an open-ended structure at a meeting on September 24.

AEA sell-off move likely

MOVES to privatise the commercial division of the UK Atomic Energy Authority are expected soon. In spite of British Energy's disappointing stock market performance, through which small investors have lost money, the Government is expected to press ahead with plans to sell AEA Technology for a likely price of £200 million. AEA Technology derives about half of its business from the nuclear industry with work on decommis-sioning and extending the life of nuclear power stations.

Aim profits take off

AIM GROUP, the aircraft interiors manufacturer, saw pretax profits rise to £3.92 million in the year to April 30 from just £33,000 in the previous 12 months. A Northwest Airlines contract for an initial 106 DC9-30 aircraft interiors gave

and gave a warning against Otis shake-up to cost 700 jobs BY CLARE STEWART 480 jobs. A further 220 jobs orders and, at the same,

ABOUT 700 jobs are to be lost as Otis, the lifts manufacturer, merges two of its UK subsid-

laries. Otis, the world's largest lift company, is to merge Express Lifts, of Northampton, with Evans Lifts, of Leicester, The closure of the Northampton

increased competition from will go from the 38 sites across the country operated by both overseas, particularly from Evans and Express. the Far East." Express Lifts, which has

Otis, which acquired Ex-press Lifts in April, blamed the fall in orders as a result of the slump in the construction been present in Northampton since 1917, incurred a pre-tax loss of £1.3 million in the year

sures to run away"

On exports, growth was also recovering, with a net balance

level of two quarters ago. was also returning, the survey suggested. - up from a bal-ance of 49 per cent three months ago to 54 per cent now. turing firms revising their

fallen back in the past three months, from 22 per cent to 19 per cent. Service-sector investof 4.5p a share. It will not be ment was again stable.

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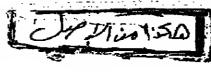
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Ruling due on Lloyds bids Choppy waters for new share issues Vital poll draws nearer for builder

Awaiting Dr Lang's prescription

ONE of the few areas still labouring under the surt of heavy-handed state supervision taken for granted 40 years ago is the complicated route between drug manufacturer and that useful little shup across from the doctor's surgery. The Govern-ment would love to deregulate, but the country's 9,000 independent pharmacies like things as they are, thank you, and there are few voles in making life mure difficult for frail pensioners and sickly toddlers.

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Today lan Lang, President of the Board of Trade, should rule on the Monopolies and Mergers Commission's four-month in-quiry into the competing bids for Lloyds Chemists. Mr Lang has beeo a tad unpredictable of late, but he is likely to follow the MMC's line and allow a resumption of the bidding war.

As a result, either Gene of Germany, which owns the British business AAH, or UniChem, owner of the Moss chain of pharmacies, will own Lloyds by the end of this year. The country's second biggest drugs retailer and third biggest distributor will be under new management. The prospects, thereafter. for those pensioners and toddlers are more uncertain.

The MMC reference in March was a shock because both bidders had privately indicated they would do anything they were asked. It is marginally easier to open a pub than be granted a licence tu open a pharmacy, as the policy has been to ensure a hidden subsidy by allowing onlyone in a given area. Licences change hands for up to £500,000, and Lloyds has 920 of them. If UniChem wins its total will outstrip the 1.200 held by Boots, the market leader; AAH would

end up neck and neck. But it is not the retail business that is bothering the MMC. The two bidders have a quarter or more of the wholesaling market. and Lloyds another 5 per cent. This is also regulated, wholesalers receiving a 12¹/₂ per cent margin on the drugs they buy, four fifths of this passed on to the retailer. There are areas of the country where the two overlap with Lloyds. The fear has been that in places where one or other becomes sole supplier on taking out Lloyds, some of that margin

may stay with the wholesaler Mr Lang, therefore, is likely to insist on sales of depots to independents to prevent such local monopolies. Fair enough:

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but there is a danger the retail aspect may be overlooked. Those licences are entirely portable. There must be some temptation, once Lloyds is bedded down, to move run-down or struggling local pharmacies to more upbeat retail sites - perhaps rather further from the surgery than those pensioners and toddlers can comfortably totter.

Price must be right at Somerfield

THIS is the worst possible market for issuing new shares. Wild daily swings on the FT-SE, driven entirely by the state of Wall Street and a few obscure high-tech stocks, engender a cautious approach on the part of those asked to put up the cash a few days in advance. New British Energy

PENNINGTON



shareholders can be permitted a wry smile here. But Somerfield, the food retailer that seems to change its name with every fresh delivery from the warehouse, may just be about to be caught in

Allied Carpets started with hopes of commanding a market value of £250 million, conceded last month that perhaps £200 million was more like it, and yesterday had to settle for a comparatively slim £189 million. Small investors, perhaps with their fingers burnt by Jarvis Holels and then hy British Energy itself, stayed away, and only around half of the Allied

shares intended for them were want to buy in its 180-190p range taken up. The slack was taken up by the City, and the issue was comfortably oversubscribed. Contrast British Biotech, where even the City was not prepared to take a longer view. Bul if the well-respected Allied Carpets, even on a conservative pricing range, cannot grab Sid's fancy, what hope is there for Somer-field, which must lie on any range of assessed risk somewhere between the two?

The food chain wants to sell 20 per cent of its shares to the retail market. Why should Sids restrain themselves in the face of Allied only to hurtle into the arms of the frankly less attractive Somerfield? This is not the time for over-confidence or for trying In brazen il out in the market.

Allied Carpets is getting away with it because it has decided to be realisoc about price. After Iceland's profit warning on Wednesday and Allied's realism, Somerfield had better start thinking again about whether any small shareholders will

or whether it will suffer the humiliation of falling short. But then unlike Ray Nethercott of Allied, David Simons, Somerfield's chief executive has a £5 million-plus bonus riding on success of the float.

Shaky foundations at Costain

BY MONDAY lunchtime one of the most historic names in British construction may be heading for the breaker's yard. The fate of Costain depends upon a weekend of brinkmanship, and the mathematics of Monday's extraordinary meeting are stacked against the company.

The two biggest shareholders, with 19 per cent each, say they will reject the refinancing plan. This would reduce debt to manageable levels, but it would also effectively strip existing investors of three shares out of every four they hold. If the dissidents hold firm. Costain must achieve an 80

per cent vote of all shareholders to have any chance of success. The only question is whether they really want to pull the lemple roof down on everyone, because the only alternative is the receivers.

If Costain survives, even more startling will be the survival of its Teflon-coated deputy chairman, Peter Costain. As the last family board member, he has presided over the raising and subsequent loss of £160 million of shareholders' money over the past half decade. Yet the refinancing includes a change in the articles of association to allow him to stay on. With his powers of persuasion, perhaps Mr Costain should be in charge of negotiations with the rebel shareholders.

Hedge fund

OUR pensions are in safe hands. A fund manager, wishing to remain nameless, called yes-terday to voice horror over United Utilities' long-term incentive plan, which faces a vote at the annual meeting next week. Our clients are unhappy. They feel it is overgenerous and based on the wrong performance criteria. That is why we have decided to ... abstain." Makes you despair, doesn't it?

Super regulator for energy tops inquiry agenda

BY CHRISTINE BUCKLEY AND ERIC REGULY

ENERGY regulators are to eration. The investigation face parliamentary scrutiny in a wide-ranging investiga-tion that could lead to a single regulator rather than separate bodies for electricity and gas.

MPs on the Trade and Industry Select Committee will call Professor Stephen Littlechild, the electricity regulalor, and Clare Spottisdwoode, his counterpart in gas. to give evidence in a major review of regulatory practice. While concentraling on the energy regulators, it is thought that the review

will also embrace Oftel. MPs will start work on the

day, Sir Iam Vallance, chairinquiry in October and it is

comes as three regulators are already grappling with turbulent times. A Monopolies and Mergers Commission referral for British Gas seems inevitable with Ofgas's final pricing proposals for its pipeline divicompetitive clause.

sion expected next week. Ms Spottiswoode's proposals to curb revenues by about £850 million next year, which could deliver a £30 cut in household bills, provoked an angry reac-tion from British Gas and its shareholders. Oftel is also set to trigger an MMC inquiry. At BT's annual

meeting in Newcastle yester-

senled the company with a take-it-or-leave-il regulatory package. The package reduces the price cap to the inflation rale, less 42 per cent, against the current RPI-72 per cent, and remains firm on the anti-

Professor Littlechild is at the centre of a storm over the progress of competition in domestic electricity. Yesterday the electricity pool, the indus-try's wholesale market, endorsed a report that roundly criticised Offer. his office, for its role in the plan to bring choice to 23 million households. The report, by the pool

auditor, said that competition

Hi-Tec steps up recovery BY CLARE STEWART

RECOVERY al Hi-Tec Sports, the sports footwear manufacturer, took another step forward after a strong tive," he added. rise in profits in the year to April. Pretax profits came in at £2 million,

compared to a £12.5 million loss for the previous 15-month period. Frank van Wezel, chairman, said the improvement was achieved in spite of difficult trading conditions in

Britain and America. "We expect the BUDGIE the Helicopter continues to current year to remain highly competiwhip up profits for Sleepy Kids, the animation and merchandising group. The cartoon character created by the Although turnover on a 12-month like-for-like basis fell from £101 millioo to £93 million, operating profits rose

Duchess of York, helped half-year pre-tax profits to rise 7 per cent to £325,081. from £3 million to £4,4 million. Earnwhile group turnover rose 29 per cent ings were 2.5p a share (26.8p loss), but to £950,925. After its first ever dividend the company is not yet ready to restore of 0.tp last year. Sleepy Kids is not the dividend. The shares fell 1p to 44p. making an interim payout. However.

Budgie lifts Sleepy Kids BY CLARE STEWART

> Martin Powell, chairman, said it does intend to pay a final dividend this year. Budgie has now been sold to 70 countries, and more than 130 merchandising deals have been signed. Budgie and Transvivania Pet Shop, another Sleepy Kids property, are attracting top viewing figures in the UK. In June, the new series of Transylvania Pet Shop

drew more than 1.6 million viewers.



agenda of the select committee, chaired by Labour's Martin O' Neill, has yet to be finatised but the feasibility of a super regulator, as opposed to individual specialised regulators, is thought to be a prime consid-

man, said the company was expected it will take several "at a critical stage in its months to complete. The dealings with Offici" and called for a legislative solution to disagreements over what powers Oftel should have to determine, and put an end to. business practices it deems to be anti-competitive. In a letter sent to BT last night, Oftel essentially pre-

could fail or significantly lay its 1998 deadline. Figures from the Gas Consumers Council yesterday showed complaints against British Gas are still increasing. In the first six months of the year complaints rose 39 per cent to 25,133 in comparison with the first half of last year.

Deals boost for

Lloyd's picks Maltby for Equitas post

COLIN MALTBY, former chief executive of Kleinwort Benson Investment Management, has been appointed chief executive officer of Equitas, the £7 billion reinsurance company set up by Lloyd's of London. Tony Richards. 47. becomes group financial controller.

Mr Malthy, 45, will supervise the fund management groups chosen to manage Equitas's investment portfolio. The UK groups are BZW Invest-ment Management; Mercury Asset Management PDFM; and Prudential Portfolio Managers, who will each manage assets of between £500 million and El billion.

The American groups include Scudder. Stevens & Clark and Zurich Investment Management.

healthcare sector By ERIC REGULY DEALS agreed yesterday by Cantab and Biocompaobles helped to lift the spirits of the

battered emerging pharma-ceuticals and healthcare sector. Shares of Cantab, a Cambridge company that specialises in immunology. rose 68p to 663p after it formed a

collaboration with SmithKline Beecham to develop and market Cantab's so-called TAGW vaccine for genital warts. Cantab said that it could

potentially receive £24 million in licence and milestone payments under the vaccine agreement.

It will receive £7 million up front, divided between licence fees of £3 million and an equity investment of £4 million in the form of 471,000 new shares at a subscription

price of £8.50. The investment is equal to 3 per cent of the company's equity. Cantab may receive up to £17 million more if certain development milestones under the agree-

ment are achieved. SmithKline, in return, re-

two-year agreement with Cryolife of Marietta, Georgia, to apply Biocompatibles' coatings technology to porcine and human heart valves.

an initial payment of \$100,000 under the agree-ment, followed by up to \$1.5 million in milestone payments. The company's shares rose 5p to 400p.

ceives exclusive worldwide development, manufacturing and marketing rights to the TAGW products. Biocompatibles signed a

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Property group buys Island Site for £31m

Shaftesbury looks west 1993 had about £55 million

BY CARL MORTISHED

SHAFTESBURY, the property group that owns the Chinatown Estate in London, is expanding its empire westwards with the E31 million purchase of the Island Site adjacent to the Trocadero leisure centre.

The deal is being financed with a one-for-two rights issue priced at 125p to raise £29.2 million. Shares in the property ■ Pup fell Ip to 147p on news of the cash call.

The Island Sile is owned by Rupert Street Investments, 2 company that went into receivalong with the ership Trocadero in 1993. KPMG appointed Shaftesbury as project manager in February 1993. The 24 restaurants and shops on the site were then



Lane: £20m reinvestment

valued at £18 ittillion. Since then, the receivers have sold the Rialto cinema site to Paul Raymond for £14 million, but the money raised is unlikely to

outstanding on the site. Bounded by Shaftesbury Avenue to the North, the Trocadero to the West, Coventry Street to the South and Chinatown to the East, the properties will increase Shaftesbury's West End holdings to about 80 per cent of the group's portfolio. Jonathan Lane, chief executive of Shaftesbury, said the emphasis would increase with the planned £20 million sale of the group's non-London prop-

erties and reinvestment in Chinatown, Covent Garden and Carnaby Street.

Rental income from the Island Site totals £1.79 million, but, relet at market rates. it could rise to £2.5 million.

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British Biotech bounces back with 180p surge

SHARES of British Biotech bounced back with a rise of 190p at £21.43 after the rump of its £143 million rights issue was more than 12 times oversubscribed.

The remaining shares were placed with various institutions at £19.50 after the price dipped below the rights terms of £20.50. Brokers said Briosh Biotech had become the victim of a classic bear raid in the past week, with speculators happy to sell the price lower. Many of those bears are still uncovered and, now that the unwanted shares have been placed, may scramble to cover their positions, forcing the price still higher, Only last month the shares touched a high of almost £37, but fell sharply after the company announced the terms of its rights issue

Despite its popularity British Biotech has yet to make a penny profit. But hopes are high for Marimastat. its pancreatic cancer treatment. which is about to enter phase three clinical trials. The shares are due to be sub-divided later in the year.

Cantab Pharmaceutical celebrated its link-up with Smithkline Beecham to develop and market a new vaccine for genital warts with a rise of 68p to 663p. SmithKline, up 4p at 6714p, is also reckoned to have taken out options in Caniab shares.

Elsewhere, Chiroscience rose 23p to 340p and Cortecs Chiroscience International 13p to 282p, But first-time dealings in Alyzime received a lukewarm reception. Offered at 60p on the Alternative Investment Market, shares in the biotech company opened at 58p and slipped to close at 53p, a discount of Sp on the day.

ML Laboratories celebrated news of its first profits ever with a jump of 17p to 361p. The surplus of £83,105 compared with a loss last time of £1.4 million and was achieved on tripled sales. The group has signed a marketing deal with Medeva worth £70 million.



Oil shares strengthened on fears of a terrorism revival

the Dow Jones climbing more than 50 points in early trading. London followed suit with the FT-SE 100 index ending the session 35.2 points up at 3,693.4. Total turnover was less than 600 million shares. Railtrack celebrated its elevation to the top 100 companies that make up the index with a rise of 42p at 214p. It fought off opposition from

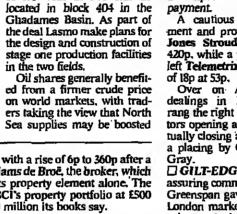
Blue Circle Industries stood out with a rise of 6p to 360p after a buy recommendation from Williams de Broë, the broker, which says it is worth acquiring for its property element alone. The broker calculates the value of BCI's property portfolio at £500 million compared with the £100 million its books say.

Locas Industries, up 5p at 216p, Premier Farnell, unchanged at 623p, Compass, steady at 566p, Securicor, Ip lighter at 259p, and Hays, down 5p at 445p. It follows the merger of Sun Alliance and Royal Insurance, Takeover favourite Lasmo

attracted renewed support with the price climbing 7p to 180p after finally clinching its Algerian production deal. It

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covers wells in two oilfields

by a revival of terrorist activity. This follows speculation about the fate of TWA's Boeing 747 over Long Island. Enterprise Oil rose 112p to 491p, and Shell 17p to 942p with ABN Amro Hoare Govett, the broker, said to be rates pushing the shares.

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first six months and optimistic noises about the rest of the year lifted Sleepy Kids 2p to 26p. The group, which has the rights to Budgie the Little Helicopter series, created by the Duchess of York, is not paying an interim dividend but expects to make a final

24p to E10.41.

share.

A cautious trading statement and profits setback left Jones Stroud 28p lower at 420p, while a profits warning left Telemetrix nursing a loss Over on AIM first-time dealings in Life Numbers rang the right note with investors opening at 12p and even-

tually closing at 14p following a placing by Gerrard Vivian GILT-EDGED: Those re-

assuring comments from Alan Greenspan gave bonds on the London market a boost, with prices at the longer end sporting gains of around E12 at the close. Earlier in the day dealers had been cheered by the latest German IFO survey which came in below expectations, fuelling speculation about a possible cut in interest

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yesterday's agreement in Belfast, the company could soon be earning half of its profits from airports, making TBf unrecognisable as the small Welsh property group which rev-ersed into Markheath in 1994.

The shift into transport has been good for shareholders; in spite of having no experience operating airports, TBI has accelerated the pace of growth at Cardiff, raising commercial spend per passenger by 23 per cent in the space of a year and boosting airport profits by 63 per cent.

TBI's strategy is to repeal the success of

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Feet on the ground TBI is rapidly turning into an airports group. faster — some S-10 per cent a year compared with a sideline in property investment. After with 4-5 per cent in the congested airports in with 4-5 per cent in the congested airports in with 4-5 per cent in the congested airports in the South East. Unlike Cardiff. Belfast Inter-

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national is mainly a domestic airport with only 24 per cent of traffic from international chartered operations. The challenge for TBI

will be to bring some of the charter traffic that disappears to Dublin or Gatwick back to Belfast, while at the same time boosting the meagre £1.93 per passenger generated from shops, bars and duty-free. That compares with more than £4 at Cardiff. There must be a risk that Belfast will suffer an economic setback from the collapse of the peace talks but over the past ien years the airport has grown at a compound rate of 8 per

BAA in driving up retail income in airports. The regional airports have the attraction of growing from a relatively low traffic base and commercial spend. They are also growing

> Board in the form of an increase in short-term rates. That could still happen.

although yesterday, the message from the Fed was read differently by bond and equity investors, with the latter taking the bullish view that rates will not go up in the short term.

But those investors worrying that the Carolinas build-

the US is not just one

WOLSELE share price

housing market. The recovery is only beginning in California and Wolseley also has important interests in the North West. Meanwhile

in the UK, housing transactions are beginning to accelerate. The gloom overdone. UNBOWED BY THE DOW

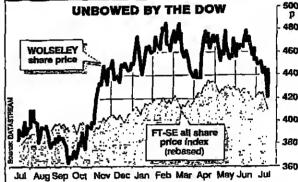
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ing a distributor and retailer. The market has been tough with the National Lottery blamed for less spending by consumers on patching up their old bangers. At the same time cars are becoming more reliable, requiring less expenditure on maintenance. However, the good news for all motor parts companies is that there are more and more cars coming on the roads. The bad news for the independents is that falfords and Motor World would like to do to them what Tesco and Sainsbury have already done to small green-

grocers. Prices may come

down but there will be less

the Ofex market in June with a price of 28.5p. The price is now 250p and Skynet plans to move to AIM at the end of next month.

Yesterday it announced a deal with European Telecom. which proudly calls itself a leading international distributor of cellular telephones. European Telecom is marketing SkyNet 2000, SkyNet's satellite tracking system which ties in with people's mobile phones. So long as SkyNei moves to AIM, European Telecom has agreed to sell 4000 of these devices a year for the next three years. This only leaves SkyNet needing to sell another

long bond yield on the rise and investors feared a reaction by the Federal Reserve Motor World WHEN it comes to selling clutch cables and windscreen wipers there are two companies that matter. Armed with the Finelist distribution power, Motor

The rest of the equity market closed at its best of the day, cheered by comments made by Alan Greenspan, Federal Reserve chairman, to Con- gress. He sees the US econo- my slowing to a sustainable pace in the second half of the year and seems reluctant to raise US interest rates. His comments had a posi- tive effect on share prices on both sides of the Atlantic, with	to supply the remaining tranche of the taplet Treasury Index-Linled 2 ¹ / ₂ per cent 2001. INEW YORK: Shares on Wall Street rallied after the testimony by Alan Greenspan, chairman of the Federal Re- serve Board, raised optimism that there was no imminent rate rise. By midday the Dow Jones industrial average had powered 38.84 points higher at 5,415.72.	outlets. The combined businesses will be retaining the know- how of Finelist's chairman Chris Swan, who at one time worked with Halfords. That looks promising and gives the combined group a better chance of delivering the syn-	choice: a good outlook for Motor World.44,000 to hit its target of 48,000 a year.Skynet44,000 to hit its target of 48,000 a year.SkynetOf course SkyNet has not made a penny of profit, nor is it likely to do so for a while. SkyNet may be a great com- pany with a great pruduct, but investors should handle the shares with a sbestos gloves.Only founded in February. the maker of tracking sys- terns to find stolen cars joinedEDITED BY CARL MORTISHED
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CBI limbers up for election intent on running in neutral

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Herts and minds

StR Ian MacLaurin, chairman of Tesco, is to be congratulated on his appointment as the next chancellor of the University of Hertfordshire. Sir Ian. who went straight from Malvern College into National Service, and then to Tesco as a management trainee, never went to university. But as something of a celebrity in his home county. he is said to be delighted with the invitation from his local school of tearning. which is sandwiched neatly between two giant Tesco supermarkets. Sir Brian Corby, former chairman of the Prudennial and another Herts man, is standing down as chancellor after three years.

WALLS have ears in Chinatown. In the run-up to esbury's rights issue, announced yesterday, Jonathan Lane, chief executive. made the mistake of missing his daily visit to tenonts on the Chinatown Estate. "The Chinese noted my absence," he exploins. "They said you must be busy, you must be up to samething." Next time, Mr Lane promises not to let the City interrupt his constitutional down Gerrard Street.

Open all hours

ITS good to talk, but surely not to your boss at the weekend? J Rothschild Assurance must think so. It has issued all the home, fax, mobile and car phone numbers of its senior staff. At any time, anyone at the 1.000-strong company can put a call into senior management, including Sir Mark Weinberg, chairman, to discuss a problem out of office hours. A spokesman said: "II's all

Philip Bassett says business knows what it wants from government but is keen to

avoid party games

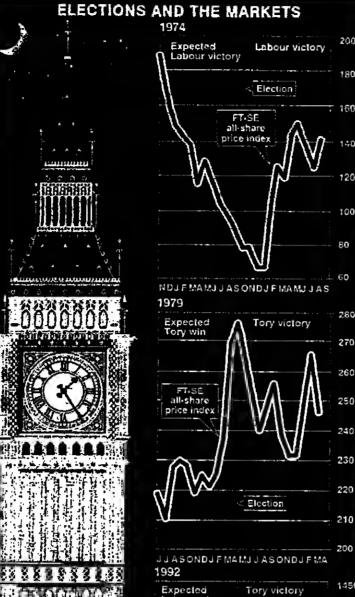
usiness is firing its startinggun for the general election. Polling day may be nine months away, but the Confederation of Briush Industry's move this week, sening out its priorities for the election, does no more than formalise what business leaders have been mulling over: what UK business wants from an incoming government.

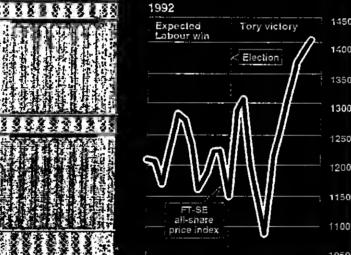
We all know there's going to be a Labour government. It's just that we can't say so." The speaker is a senior businessman, a director with responsibilities for the government relations of a major privatised unlity. Such private musings are now the common currency of business's political talk. Tony Blair may endtessly warn his party against electoral complacency, but for much of business and the City a Labour victory is already factored in.

CBI leaders wriggled uncomfortably on the point when questioned at the launch of their glossy manifesto, Prospering in o Global Economy. Such a determinedly non-political title was reflected in their parrying of anempts to get them to declare their preference in party terms - though there are many, in the Conservative Party and among CBI backwoodsmen, who regard the declaration of political neutrality in the run-up to the election as a politically partisan act, pulling husiness away from what they feel is its natural role of supporting the

Conservatives. That the CBI's declaration happened to coincide with a successful address to its conference last autumn by Mr Blair only served to deepen such suspicions, and led tan Lang, President of the Board of Trade, to insist openly that business had no business to sit on the fence politically.

CBI leaders are now trying to say that Mr Lang did not say that the CBI should take sides, only that companies should not, so it is worth reproducing exactly what he did say: "We have now before us an unprecedented opportunity for continued growth and prosperity." he told the CBf conference in Birmingham last November 14. You cannot afford not to take sides. Let us continue to work together, we in Government and you in the CBI and in business, to make sure we seize that





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Hanson, Lord Sheppard and others to policy, too, according to the CBL whose product is change, would reject such an idea, and City analysis of the markets and elections suggests that it is a hope unlikely to be realised.

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The graphie by Robert Fleming, drawn from an analysis of the performance of the markets around general elections over the past 30 years, details market performance at the last elec-tion, and the last two at which Labour and the Conservatives respectively won, and suggests that elections do

have an impact on the contomy. The CBI's launch of its manifesto may be a touch early. As Peter Warburton, of Robert Fleming, says: "Looking at past election periods, the market only takes the election seriously, and the possible change of government, when it is about three months away. Before that it tends to ignore it." But other business bodies are ready-

ing themselves to follow suit: the Institute of Directors, the Briosh Chambers of Commerce, EEF, the engineering employers, the Institute of Management and the Industrial Society among others are busily drafting pre-election statements, which will present the main political parties with a clear agenda of business's political objectives.

Inevitably, alt of them will be broadly similar. No business organisadon is likely to be arguing that what business *really* needs is a good dose of wildly unstable macroeconomic policy. So what will be of close interest -- to the political parties in particular - will be seeing how close, in nuance, language and tone, each business organisation comes to a particular political party. either on individual issues or, more importantly, in overall terms,

y this measure, the CBI's document is almost uncannily neutral; a quick count of its major recommendations shows four supporting key Conservative lines, four Labour and a clutch of eight backing policies common to both main parties. Given its iree-market principles, the IoD is likely to be less so, especially on such key issues as EMU, to which the institute, though it has moved closer to the poliocal and business mainstream, remains resolutely opposed.

Europe is a key issue for Britain's managers, according to the Institute of Management's draft proposals, which emphasise "constructive engagement" with the EU by the UK Government. In their manifesto to come in mid-September, EEF leaders, along with the CBI, IoD, and most other business organisations, will reject Labour's plans to sign the European social chapter and to introduce a statutory national minimum wage. While none will be avowedly Conser-

vative, the distance of many from key Conservative policies, and especially in

Former lord of the skies faces grim battle to keep up revival Disaster could see TWA follow Pan Am route, says Eric Reguly

rans World Airlines tion-mad billionaire, from and Pan Am were America's imperial airlines. They were the first to criss-cross the oceans, sending businessmen, politicians, soldiers and tourists to Europe's grand cities and the remotest outposts of Asia and Africa. They were the symbol of the brawn and arrogance of a flourishing

post-war nation. Although the name survives with a different airline, Pan Am. whose Key Westto-Havana flights in the late 1920s launched America's international service, is now gone. Its market share began to ebb in the 1960s and stiff competition, cou-

pled with recessions and fuel crises, left it alt but grounded by the mid-1980s. Then came Lockerbie. A bomb destroyed the public's confidence in the airline's security systems. Pan Am's jets turned into flying echo

chambers overnight. Wednesday night's crash off Long Island of a TWA Boeing 747 carrying 229

aviation industry wondering how much longer it can out live its old rival. If the authorities find that the loss was because of a bomb, faulty maintenance or sheer WCAT and tear 25 of from years hard ser-pasvice. sengers could shun the airline - and TWA does not have the strength to

1939 to 1966. The airline initially thrived under Hughes, who ensured it had the newest technology, including pressurised cabins and four-engined aircraft that could cross the Allande. TWA and Pan Am began to feel the effects of competi-tion in the 1960s - when every developing nation put a flag-carrier into the air and demanded US landing rights - but managed to keep their imperial pretences into the early 1970s, when they became the launch customers of the jumbo 747.

In spite of all the competition, soaring fuel prices and intransigent unions, TWA and Pan Am might have managed better in the 1970s and 1980s if they had overcome one glaring weakness - the tack of a substantial domestic system to feed their

small one in St Louis.



international routes. Pan Am had no domestie "hub". while TWA had a relatively The three carriers with the passengers and crew has the most expansive hub net-

ealled the no-hiding policy."



'Now Railtrack has really arrived"

Launch date

THE adviser to the Association for the Monetary Union of Europe, Christo-pher Johnson, a former chief economic adviser to Lloyds Bank, was struggling yesterday to gather guests for the launch of his latest pro-European propaganda. In spite of the tube strike, various MPs, including Hugh Dykes and John MacGregor, made it to the launch of In With the Euro, Out With the Pound. But where was Sir Ted Heath, the guru who gushes on the back of the new book: "Everyone who cares about the economie well-being of the United Kingdom should read it?" At the Savoy. of course. celebrating bis S0th birthday.

Pedalling a line

THE tube strike yesterday wasn't going to get in the way of Alex Sandberg, chairman of College Hill. To make sure PR clients Robert Walters and WS Atkins made it to the market without a hitch. Sandberg cycled from his home in Putney to Gresham Street. In the Seventies, he used to distribute press releases around the City from the saddle of a monkey bike. After yesterday's journey, made in 39 minutes, Sandberg boasted to colleagues that he could easily have completed il under half an hour, had he wanted to arrive hot and hothered.

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Pretty clear stuff: but faced with such overt pressure, the CBI has refused to

buckle, and is intent under Adair Turner, its Director-General, in maintaining political neutrality, even if that is proving a strain for its current president, Sir Colin Marshall, chairman of British Airways, one of the Conservatives' favourite companies. CBI insiders remain concerned that Sir Colin could still queer the pitch of political neutrality before an election, though at the confederation's business manifesto launch he was a model of poliocal evenness. However, at the CBt's annual dinner in May, he managed, with an election due inside 12 months, to hope publicly that John Major would be the guest speaker as Prime Minister, two years hence.

Of course, such views reflect a widespread business sentiment. Just because business largely judges that Labour will win the forthcoming election, it doesn't mean that business wants Labour to win. It doesn't; but its best guess is that Labour will win. Privately, most business leaders accept that a Blair-led Labour government would be very far from the ravening beast that previous Labour administraoons have been perceived as being. But balanced judgments such as

coming out and endorsing the Conservatives, as did 43 prominent business leaders from companies such as Tesco, Kinglisher, Taylor Woodrow, Dixons, Tarmac and BA, before the 1992 poll. Many companies have either stopped making political donations to the Tories, or make them to Labour and the Liberal Democrats as well. Such overt poliocal neutrality, while clearly viewed by some like Mr Lang

. The CBI's document contains no specific pledge on political neutrality but it does suggest that key aspects of the running of the economy should move into that ground: "Ultimately, the management of macroeconomic policy must become politically uncontroversial. In an ideal world, election results would not affect the fundamen-tal economic background against which business plans." Politicians,



John Major or Tony Blair: business is steering clear of a public endorsement these won't stop business leaders who

marked. That may be because, accord-ing to his critics. Mr Blair has adopted management-speak jargon, with which business is comfortable. It may be, too, an insurance policy: having long ignored Labour, business does not much want to find itself on the wrong end of the argument when the election

But it may well also be because business is increasingly judging that it is a Labour, rather than a Conservative, government with which it will have to deal. Business judges that if the Tories do win again, even a Govern-ment refreshed by a further election victory will find it difficult to shake off its tiredness and fully reinvigorate itself. Acute business leaders think that may require a period in opposition, a bout of blood-letting and a new leader - and a hope that some solution to the fundamental fissure over Europe can be found.

Business believes that however moderate a new Labour government, especially a New Labour government, would be, its election would mark a decisive break with the past two decades. In that sense, the importance of the forthcoming election cannot be overstated; and so business is probably far from wrong in firing its election starting-pistol now.

record on leaks

severe downtura. The tragedy is that TWA seem-

ed on the verge of staging a remarkable comeback after surviving two bankruptcies since 1992. Only a few mooths ago, when TWA was celebrating the 50th anniversary of its first transatlantic flight, Jeffrey Erickson, president, an-nounced that the airline had posted an operating profit of \$25 million in 1995, its first since 1989. Plans were made to buy or lease new Boeings, and Erickson even contemplated a new equity offering to repay part of its \$1.2 billion debt.

TWA's fortunes more or less mirrored Pao Arn's since the 1930s. Both airlines have rich heritages, ruled the air corridors for decades and went on to stage incredible shrinking acts in a desperate effort to survive. The carriers were gutted and TWA then had the misfor-tune of falling into the hands of Carl Icahn, Wall Street's last great gunsling-er. Icahn had very little interest in running an airline, using it instead as a

cash machine. TWA was born Transcontinental and Western Air and was the property of Howard Hughes, the aviaspotted TWA in 1984. He

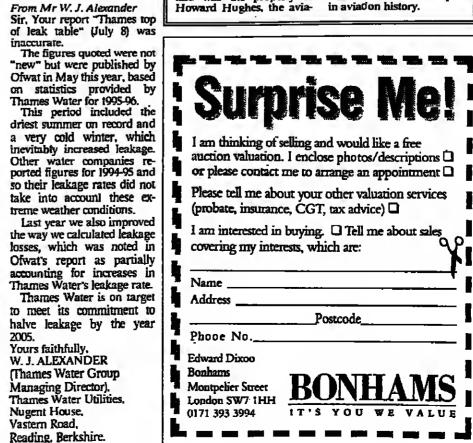
Hughes: airline thrived liked the recognition

value of its name and saw the chance to slash costs by squeezing the unions. The irony is that unions embraced leahn; he was con-sidered preferable to Frank Lorenzo, the union-busting Texas Air chairman who also has his sights on TWA. tcahn won the airline and took it private in 1988. He all hot cancelled the aircraftreplacement programme and sold its valuable London routes to American for \$445 million. Cash flow and profits soared, but the good times did not last long.

Starved of investment and clobbered by the recession and the Gulf War, TWA filed for Chapter tt bankruptcy protection in 1991. It emerged partly owned by its emptoyees in 1993. Last year, it went back into bankruptcy again and, equipped with a debt-for-equity agreement with its creditors, came out in fighting spirit.

Although the worst was over for the airline, and its management was optimis-tic, TWA was still tiving on the edge. The crash of the 747 into the Atlantic can only increase the chances that it will become another chapter

in aviation history.



Board and shareholders need to know about 'illegal calls' from inside BA Thames Water's Airways, I quite rightly point-ed out to Sir Colin Marshall BA's high security premises,

me. Of course, my fellow shareholders recall with acute From Mr John Gorman Sir. Your coverage of the Briosh Airways AGM (July 16 embarrassment the notorious Brinish Airways dirty tricks and 17) seems to imply that my campaign against Richard intention in attending the Branson and Virgin Atlantic, meeting was to be disruptive and mischievous. Far from it. when targe sums of our money As a long-standing shareholdhad to be paid over in settlement, and British Airways er, who has loyally attended every AGM since privatisahad to make a public apology in the High Court for its disgraceful behaviour. tion 1 am frankly embarrassed to have to bring to the atten-Whilst I agree that these tion of my fellow shareholders matters must, and will, be

and the board the fact that aired in yet another civil serious criminal activities conprosecution against British tinue to be perpetrated against

Unfair to Siemens

From the Chief Executive of Siemens plc Sir, I should like to put the record straight on the claims and assumptions made in your Pennington column on

July 16. The figure of £200 million. which Siemens is reckoned to have received in "sweeteners" to build our new chip plant in North Tyneside, reflects the wild stab in the dark made by your newspaper last August at the level government and other support we could expect dur-dent on market developments. ing the lifetime of the project. and the same still applies. money purchasing goods and

It appears that this figure has never been corrected in your implication that we only came archiving system, but I sug-gest it should be now to avoid to the UK for the money, but now want some more, I should further mistakes, as il is like, on the one hand, to reprobably four times the potenstate that more money was on tial level of support we could offer elsewhere, and, on the other, to remind you that receive. I say potential because the total amount of support Siemens already has 12 factories and some 12,000 emthat we shall ultimately receive is entirely dependent on ployees in the UK, which, I our meeting committed tarthink, is an indicator or our gets in terms of investment commitment to this country. levels and jobs created. Moreover, Siemens in the UK As to our plans for the secinvested over £130 million of our own money in research ond module, we stated from the very outset that this modand development last year, while Siemens overall spent ule would always be depenover £1.1 billion of our own

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and Robert Ayling that they swung into action and my are not above the law. The microphone was cut dead. shareholders applauded in support of this statement. Sir Colin's rather limp response Yours faithflly, JOHN GORMAN. Parque Residencia, was that he could not control Club Atlantis, what calls were made from Bungalow 210. San Eugenio. However, when I offered to play taped evidence, con-firmed by British Telecom and 38660, Playa de las Amèricas, Adeje,

Tenerife. the BBC, which proves that Canary Islands, illegal threatening calls con-onue to be made from inside Spain.

Finally, in response to the services from British suppliers. To imply in your article that we have inflicted some sort of "hit-and-run mugging" on the British taxpayer, there-

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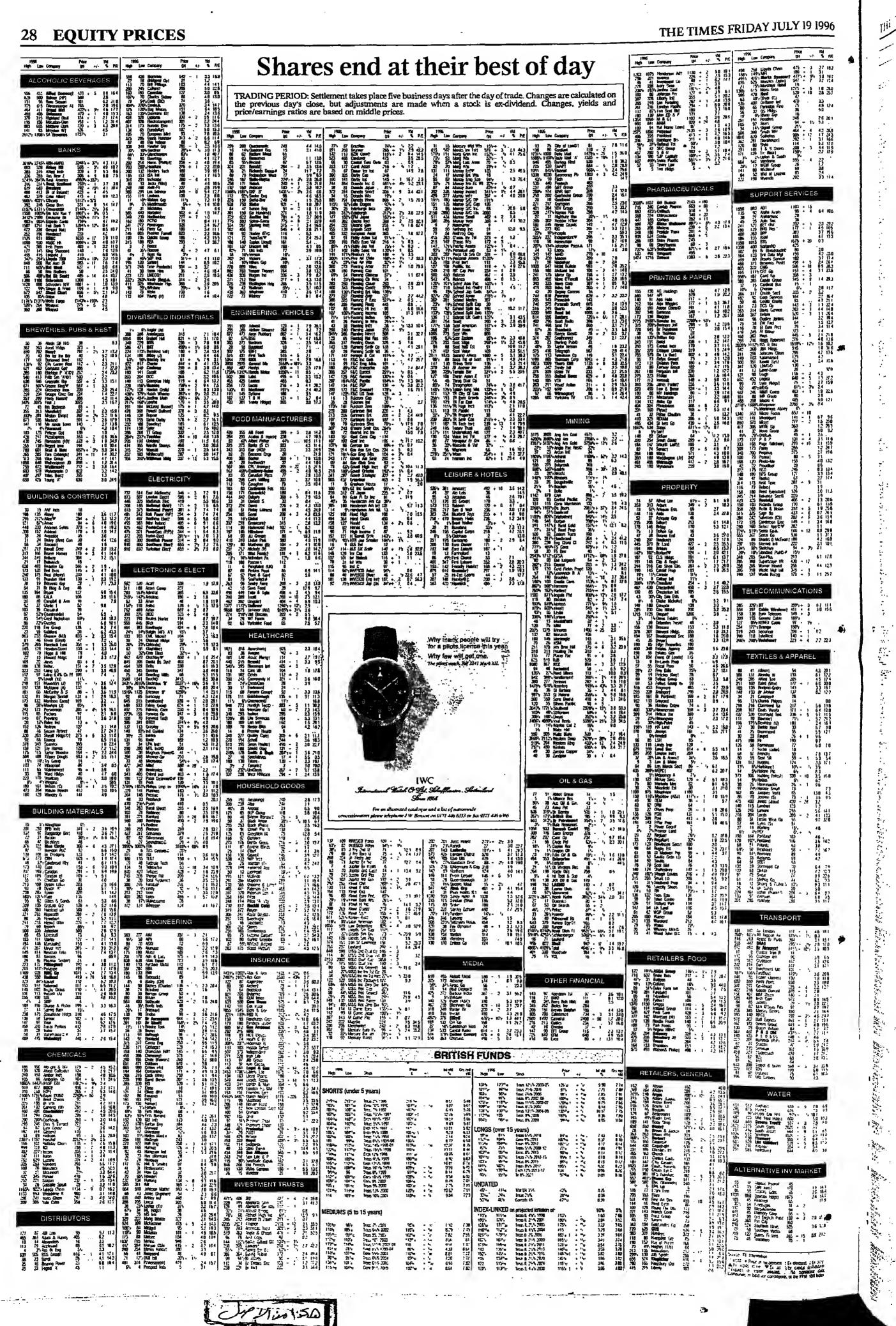
the British Airways censors

fore, is deeply insulting both to our company and the Government, which has come so far in establishing the probusiness environment in the UK that has encouraged ours

and so many other inward investments.

Yours faithfully JÜRGEN GEHRELS, Stemens House. Oldbury. Bracknell.

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Court of Appeal

Law Report July 19 1996

Council liable for unnecessary health work

Welton v North Cornwall District Conneil Before Lord Juscice Rose, Lord

Justice Ward and Lord Justice Judge [Judgment July 17]

Where an environmental health officer negligently required the owner of food premises to undertake works which were unnecessary to secure compliance with the Food Act 1990 and regulations made thereunder, and owner incurred substantia and unnecessary expenditure in executing the works, the local food authority was under a common law duty of care to the owner and liable in damages for the economic loss sustained

Having regard to the particular conduct complained of, the fact that the relationship between the parties arose out of the purported exercise of statutory functions afforded no reason why the local authority should not be liable in u case which otherwise fell within common law principles of duty of

The Court of Appeal so held in a reserved judgment dismissing an appeal by North Cornwall District Council against the award by Judge Anthony Thompson, QC, at Truro County Court on January 26, 1995, of damages of £39,522 to the plaintiffs. Victoria Florence Welton and David John Welton for economic loss caused by the negligence of Brian Evans. an environmental health officer employed by the local authorin;

Mr Roderick Denyer, QC and Mr Peter Wadsley for the local authority; Mr Philip Mott. QC and Mr Christopher Kemp for the plaintiffs.

LORD JUSTICE ROSE said that the appeal raised interesting questions as to whether, and if so in what circumstances, a duty of care was owed by a local authority in respect of its environmental health officers when they were purporting to exercise statutory, powers in relation to food hygiene. present case assumed a respon-

The plaintiffs run a farm as a est house in the summer season. In October 1990 the environmenta health officer arrived, unsolicited and unannounced, to inspect the The premises had been accorded

a three crowns rating by the West Country Tourist Board following inspection in late 1990, but the officer had a different view. He set out 13 requirements to be met to comply with the faw involving unnecessary substantial building works and major alterations to the kitchen and he threatened to close down the business if the requirements were not met. In consequence, wholly da-

judge awarded damages. It was agreed that if the judge was right to award damages the appropriate sum should be £34,000.

that what he said would be relied on by the plaintiffs without inthe requirements in writing.

The relevant legislation was the Food Act 1984, which applied until the end of 1990 and, from January 1, 1991, the Food Safety Act 1990, Under both Acts the local authority had power to enforce the legislati provisions in relation to food. hygiene by summary prosecution, obtaining closure orders, neluding emergency closure orders, and serving improvement

Mr Denyer submitted that an environmental health officer acr-ing on behalf of a local authority exercised a police or quasi-police function and that as a matter of policy no action should lie: see Hill Chief Constable of West York shire ([1989] AC 53] and, although he accepted that liability would lie where there was some form of assumption of responsibility, he submitted that the officer in the

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sibility to act merely bona fide and not carefully. He hurther submitted that, in the light of Caparo Industries plc v Dickman ([1990] 2 AC 605), it was either fair nor reasonable to impose a duty of care when an environmental health officer was

exercising a statutory responsibility in the interest of public health Finally, he submitted that the present case did not come within the principle in Hedley Byrne & Co

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The authorioes did not suggest that the principles in Hedley Byrne

were inapplicable merely because

In his Lordship's judgment, the

the judge's conclusion that the relationship gave rise to a duty of

a relationship arose as a con-

the law wrong and there was no necessary and extensive expen-diture was incurred for which the assumption of responsibility. Mr Mott submitted that the circumstances gave rise to a duty of care within Hedley Byrne and that no new incremental head of liability for carelessly performed

The plaintifs undertook the works as a result of the pressure excited by the officer. He knew dependent inquiry and he visited to inspect and approve the works being carried out. He never set out

sequence of a statutory function: and that going beyond what was statutorily required could give rise to assumption of responsibility. authorities concerning the police and Crown Prosecution Service were not determinative of the did not arise unless what was contemplated was an incremental

extension in accordance with Canaro. In any event, in relation both to the police and the CPS there was an exception to the principle that no duty was owed where, in relation to the particular plaintiff, responsibility had been assumed. On a proper analysis of the authorities, including Hedley Byrne and Henderson v Merrett Syndicates Ltd ([1995] 2 AC 145].

care within the ambit of the Hedley Byme principle was unassailable. His unchallenged findings of fact included reliance by the plainuffs on the officer and knowledge of such reliance on the officer's part. Accordingly, there was within Hedley Byrne, as subsequently analysed, an assumption of

responsibility by the officer and nence a duty of care owed by him. A final question arose was whether the existence of a statutory duty provided any ground for excluding from the ambit of a Ltd v Heller & Partners Ltd ([1964] AC 465). The particulars of neg-ligence amounted to no more than Hedley Byrne duty a relationship derived from the exercise of statuan allegation that the officer got tory powers and duties.

When considering the impact of statutory duty on the relationship in the present case there were at feast three categories of conduct to which the existence of the local authority's statutory enforcement duties might have given rise. First, there might be conduct

specifically directed to statutory enforcement, such as the institu tion of proceedings, the service of improvement nonces and the mining of closure orders. Such conduct, even if careless.

would only give rise to common law liability if the circumstances were such as to raise a duty of care at common law and such a duty was not raised if it was inconsistent with or had a tendency present case because there was no discourage due performance of the statutory duty. Furthermore, the policy consid-erations identified in those cases

Second, there was the offering of an advisory service in so far as t was merely part and parcel of the local authority's system for discharging its statutory duties, liability would be excluded so as not to impede the due performance

of those duties But in so far as it went beyond that, the advisory service was capable of giving rise to a duty of care; and the fact that the service was offered by reason of the statutory duty was immaterial.

Third, there was conduct such as that in the present case, namely the imposition by the officer, outwith the legislation, of detailed require-

ments enforced by threat of closure and close supervision.

The existence of the local authority's statutory powers and duties altorded no reason why they should not be liable at common law for the third type of conduct by their servant, which was otherwise well within the Hedley Byrne principle.

If it was material to consider policy and what was fair, just and reasonable, which his Lordship doubted, those consideration could not lead to any conclusion other than that conduct in the third category gave rise to a duty at

LORD JUSTICE WARD, concurring in the result, said that while, in a case falling within the Hadley Byme principle, there was no need to embark on any further inquiry whether it was fair, just and reasonable to impose liability for economic loss, the fact re-mained that the officer was purporting to carry out the local authority's statutory function. It was inevitable, therefore, that questions of policy, and fairness, justice and reasonableness did arise in that connection.

The officer in the present case was acting both outside the powers of the Act and also outside the informal enforcement practice of the local authority.

In the scale and detail of the directions he gave and the degree of control he exerted, he conducted himself in a manner which was exceptional. Those circumstances made the case special to its own facts

Fairness, reasonableness and justice and all the material aspects of policy ineuricably wrapped in those concepts led his Lordship to uphold the duty of care imposed upon the local authority in the

Lord Justice Judge delivered a udgment concurring with Lord

Solicitors: Blake Lapthorn for Stephens & Scown, Truro; Frank & Caffin, Truro.



Regina v Giannetto Before Lord Justice Kennedy, Mr

Maurice Kay

Justice Laws and .Mr Justice Judgmeni June 28 A jury was enouled to convict a defendant of murder if all the jurors were satisfied that if he was not the killer he at least en-

everything. couraged the killing. The Court of Appeal, Criminal Division, so held in a reserved judgment dismissing the appeal of Robert Vincent Giannetto against his conviction on October 30, 1995 in Bristol Crown Court IMr Justice Rougier and a juryl of murder. Mr J. C. T. Barion, QC, who did not appear below and Mr lan Bullock, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appel-lant; Mr Paul Chadd, QC and Mr

Martin Meeke for the Crown. LORD JUSTICE KENNEDY. giving the judgment of the court, said that it was the prosecution case that the defendant had either murdered his wife himself or got someone else to do it.

ft was submitted on appeal that the trial judge erred in law when he failed to direct the jury that they must be unanimous as to which of the two competing versions of events put forward by the Crown

they accepted. The proposition that a jury must all find coch essential element in an offence to be proved was not

((1983) 79 Cr App R (15). But in the context of the present case the decision in Brown seemed

merely to raise the question as to what really were the essential elements of the offence which had defendant must know what case he to be proved, bearing in mind that had to meet. law had never required individual jurors to agree about

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in the present case the starting point was section 8 of the Accessories and Abettors Act [Sol. as amended, section 65(4) of and Schedule 12 to the Criminal Law Act (977, the effect of which was that even if the appellant did no more than encourage someone else to kill his wife he was liable to be the law. tried, indicted and punished as a principal offender and where, as here, the prosecution for good reason was unable to say whe the defendant did more than encourage, it must be open to them

to invite the jury as a whole to find that at least he encouraged. The jury might convict with ome jurors satisfied that the

defendant was actually the killer, but all jurors satisfied that if not the killer at least the defendant encouraged.

The authorities had been considered with some care: see, inter alia, R v Phillips (Daniel) ((1987) 86 Cr App R 18), Thotcher v The Queen (1987) 39 DLR (4th) 275) and R v Gaughan (The Times July 27. 1990). Their Lordships were sal-

There were two cardinal principles: (i) the jury must be agreed upon the basis on which they found a defendant guilty; (ii) a

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Where the Crown alleged that on the evidence the defendant must have committed the offence either as principal or as secondary of fender, and made it equally clear that they could not say which, the basis on which the jury had to be unanimous was that the defendant, having the necessary mens rea, by whatever means caused the result which was criminalised by

The Crown was not required to specify the means, because the legal definition of the crime did not require it, and the defendant knew perfectly well what case he had to

Of course if, as would often be the case, the Crown nailed their colours to a particular mast, their case would, generally, have to be established in the terms in which it

was put. This judgment should give no encouragement to prosecutors casting round for ahernative possibilities where the essential evidence did not show a clear case against a defendant. Solicitors: Crown Prosecution

Criminal injuries applicant not entitled to oral hearing

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Regina v Criminal Injuries facts or conclusions which are disputed were resolved in the Compensation Board, Ex applicant's favour it would have narte Dickson made no difference to the ...

Before Lord Justice Rose, Lord Justice Ward and Lord Justice

Judgment July f)

The Criminal Injuries Compensation Board did not act unlawfully in refusing an oral hearing to an

applicant who was refused June 21, in setting aside an order dated June 6, 1996, made in npensation because of his crimingl convictions. In disputing the degree to which the applicant's character and previous convictions should be taken into account in assessing compensation, rather than disput-

ing the fact of the convictions themselves, the applicant was disputing the decision of the board and not a material fact or conclusion which would entitle him to an oral hearing under paragraph 24(c) of the Criminal Injuries Welfare of 2434 sation Scheme 1990 (Cmd

The Court of Appeal, Civil Division, so held, Lord Justice Ward dissenting, allowing an ap-peal by the board against the

Mr Justice Carnwath had condecision, or that for any other reason an oral hearing would useful purpose, the application for a hearing will be Mr Michael Kent, QC, for the board; Mr David A. Blake for the

In The Petition of Scort Young of Sessinn, Outer House) Lard Gill LORD JUSTICE JUDGE said . "The references in paragraph conclusions' are references, in my view, to the primary facts and to driving with excess alcohol, assault. Including assaults on police constables, and threatening the conclusions of a factual nature primary facts...

The convictions constituted the material facts on which the de-cision was based. The pentioner months after his last conviction for assault and while he was on dld not dispute those material robation. He applied for compensa-tion for his injuries. The board was : supplied with details of the circum stances of the attack; a list of the " facts. He disputed the decision

That approach was consistent with the views in R v Criminal Injuries Compensation Board, Ex parte Cook (1996) 2 All ER 1441. Mr Justice

even if it is hearsay son and that the applicant had served with a notice of illegal entry When hearing an application for

habeas corpus in a deportation Act 1971. case a court could see all the evidence that the Secretary of State for the Home Department had used as the basis of his decision to secretary of state. deport even if it was hearsay,

although it was for the court to decide what weight to accord to it. Mr Justice Collins so held in the Queen's Bench Division refusing Saidur

from relying on some of the obtained his certificate of residence in England by deception. He was material that the secretary of state . had relied on. That suggested that material put before the court ought and detained under paragraph 16 of Schedule 2 to the Immigration minclude all the material that was before the secretary of state. Khera v Secretary of State for

Mr Michael Shrimpton for the applicant; Mr Mark Shaw for the

the Home Department: Khawaja v Same (1984) AC 74) made it clear that the distinction between judicial review and habeas corpus MR JUSTICE COLLINS said was not one of substance. that the evidence from the entry-Mr Shrimpton was unhappy clearance officers was contained in with that case which sought to amalgamate habeas corpus and affidavits and that evidence. Mr Shrimpton said, was hearsay, indeed, double hearsay, as it had

Hardy v Focus Insurance Co (in Liquidation) Neither section 303(1) nor (2) of the

Insolvency Act 1986 could be used to give the court jurisdiction or power to give directions to the Official Receiver as to the performance of his public law function of deciding whether or not to make an application for suspension of a bankrupt's discharge.

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Act does not confer power on court

Colchester County Court by District Judge Bazley on the ex parte application of the respondent. Fo cus Insurance Co Ltd (in liquidation), whereby he ordered that pursuant to section 303(1) of the Insolvency Act 1986" the relevant period for the purposes of section 279 of that Act should cease to run

Mr Justice Robert Walker so held in the Chancery Division on

until that application was disposed of or further order.

particular case Justice Rose

cluded that the board's decision was flawed because the process for an oral hearing was not linuited to cases where the raw facts were in dispute and extended to value judgments as to the significance or weight to be given to particular facts in reaching the overall evaluation

(unreported, August 9, 1995, Court considered a similar case and said: 24(c) to "material facts' and to which fall to be drawn from such

itself."

for a writ of habeas corpus ad subjictendum in resistance to his detention in deportation proceedings undertaken by the Home Sectemary.

In re Saidor Rahman

Before Mr Justice Collins

Judgment June 26

The applicant, who had been born in Bangladesh, obtained a certificate of entitlement to join a man he had claimed to be his father. Abdus Somed. in England and thereafter became a British citizen.

The secretary of state, acting on denunciatory letters, obtained evidence from entry clearance officers who had interviewed villagers in Baneladesh through interpreters.

The evidence suggested that the applicant was not Abdus Somed's

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rules apply.

was not suggested that the entry clearance officers understood the dialects of the villagers who had been interviewed. But there was great force in the submissions made by Mr Shaw that the court in that particular

been given through interpreters. II

kind of case had a fact-finding role and was still reviewing the sec-retary of state's decision. If the matter had been pursued

by judicial review then, prima facie, the court could take account of material properly forming the basis of the secretary of state's If Mr Shrimpton were correct

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then the court would be precluded Treasury Solicitor.

cally and still today habeas corpus was a very useful weapon against any anempts to restrict the liberty the individual in an unauthorised fashion,

It was wholly right and proper that the court should look at any material that was available to the secretary of state. It was for the court to decide what weight to attach to lt.

His Lordship was satisfied than it was proven to the requisite standard that the applicant was not the son of Abdus Somed and did obtain the certificate by decention. Solicitors: Saf Awan, Luton

imported Regina v Marsh

The words "owing to the driving of the vehicle, an accident occurred by which injury was caused to any person" in section 12A(2)(b) of the Their Act 1968 did not import a requirement of fault in the driving of the vehicle.

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Kennedy. Mr Justice Laws and Mr Justice Maurice Kayl so stated on June 20, when dismiss-ing the appeal of William Marsh against his conviction on September 5, 1995 at Preston Crown Court (Miss Recorder L Newton) of aggravated vehicle taking contrary to section 12A of the 1968 Act. on a plea of guilty following a prelimi-

nary ruling on a point of law. MR JUSTICE LAWS said that the judge ruled that the appellant was guilty of the offence if he had committed the basic offence uf taking a car without consent and thereafter an accident occurred by which injury was caused to any person, whether or not he was in any way to blame for the accident. In this case an accident had occurred in which a pedestrian

was injured, but the Crown had tot relied on any evidence of fault in the appellant's driving. Applying the ordinary canons of statutory construction is was impossible to say that the words of section 12A12(b) imported a requirement of fault in the driving.

The ordinary meaning of the words was simple and pound to a requirement of a causal connection herween the driven vehicle and the accident. No word suggesting fault appeared. The judge had con-struct the subsection correctly

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In re P (a Minor) (Abduction) Where a child was abducted to England from a country which

was not a party to the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction, incorporated into English law by section 1 of and Schedule 1 to the Child Abduction and Custody Act 1985, the English court, in considering whether or not the child should be ordered to be returned to the country where she habitually resided, should give paramount consideration to the overall welfare

nf the child. The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Rose, Lord Justice Ward and Lord Justice Judge) so held on June 24 when allowing a mother's appeal against the decision of Mr Justice Stuari-While granting the father's application for an order that his daughter, P, who had been abducted to England by her mother, should be returned to Bombuy, India.

LORD JUSTICE WARD said that the judge had wrongly consid-ered himself bound to apply the spirit of the convention in a nonconvention case, and concluded. applying by analogy article 13. that he should order the child's return unless the mother established to a high degree of satisfaction that the child would thereby be exposed to a grave risk of physical or psycho-

togical harm. The authorities stated that in a a deputy judge of the Queen's Bench Division, so held when, a-convention case the welfare of sitting at Millun Keynes, he gave the child was the nuly consideration that governed the courts. To elevate article 13 intu some test judgment for the ministry on a preliminary issue as to whether such duty of care was owed to the was in fly in the face of those authorities. plaintiffs. Michael John Gaisford

decision of Mr Justice Carnwalhi The Times December 20, 1995 quashing the board's decision on January 19, 1994 to refuse the applicant, Richard Dickson, an oral hearing following an officer's refusal of compensation on the award was inappropriate by reaground of the applicant's character son of his character as shown by his criminal convictions. as shown by his previous criminal

Paragraph 24 of the 1990 Scheme provides: An applicant will be entitled to an oral hearing only if - ... (c) nn award or a reduced award was made and there is a dispute as to the material facts or conclusions upon which the ... decision was based ... If it is

convictions.

and Food

Judgment June 25

Before Mr David Barker, QC

Where imported animals were

found hy their purchasers to be suffering from disease, the Min-istry of Agriculture Fisheries and

Food did not use them a duty of

care to discover the presence of that disease between importation

Mr David Barker, OC, sitting as

and release from quarant

months before and that he was seeking employment and anempl ing to go straight. The board refused the applicanon under paragraph 24(c) based considered on review that if any on his previous convictions.

and details of those offences. The applicant sought, and was ecided biler subsequently granted reduced compensation in respect of a Carnwath's judgment in present case, and represented a correct and valuable analysis of second attack in March 1992. the proper construction of para-The board official rejected the graph 24(c) of the scheme. first application under paragraph 6(1) of the scheme stating that an

A proper construction of paragraph 24 required a distinction to be maintained between the conclusions and the decision. The target of the applicant's anack was the decision not to make an award. The applicant requested an oral hearing, asserting that his convic-tions were mostly for minor of-That did not entitle him to an oral hearing. fences, the last occurring 12

Lord Justice Rose agreed and Lord Justice Ward delivered a dissenting judgment.

Solicitors: Treasury Solicitor: Cullyer-Bristow for Miss Angela Harding, Manchester,

Ministry is not liable over diseased imported animals

Gaisford and Another v Min- and Julia Caisford, trading as Bucks Farmgate Produce, who had istry of Agriculture Fisheries purchased the diseased goats from the original importer.

Mr Stephen Waine for the plaintiffs; Mr Peter Roth for the ministry.

HIS LORDSHIP said that although section 10 of the Animal Health Act 1981, ungether with secondary legislation, gave the defendants seemingly total control uver animal imports, including place and period of quaranume and health checks, in fact the animals were invariably sem to post-import isolation at premises arranged by the importer and which were not run by the ministry, merely ap-proved by it: nor had the ministry's veterinary officials been retained by the plaintiffs to check or advise

on the animals' condition. That was far from the total control envisaged by Ynen Kun Yeu i Attorney-General of Hong Kong ([1988] 1 AC 175). Furthermore, the proximin test

in Coparo plc v Dickman (1990) 2 AC 005) was not satisfied in that the plaintiffs were not identifiable as subsequent purchasers.

they as owners of the diseased goats would suffer luss, their real complaint was that the animals were not fit for the purpose for which they were sold.

That was a contractual claim of liability which should be pursued against the importer and vendor of the goals not the ministry.

Solicitors: Horwood & James. Avlesbury; Solicitor, MAFF.

Home Secretary has wide discretion in setting tariff Regina v Secretary of State for the Home Department. Ex parte Cansabon-Vincent Before Lord Justice Russell and Mir Justice Scott Baker [Judgment July 9] The Secretary of State for the

Home Department had a wide discretion in setung a prisoner's tartif and was entitled it not bound to have regard to a number of considerations outside the score of the sentencing process. The Queen's Bench Divisional

Court so stated in a reserved judgment when distraissing an application for judicial review by Robert Causabon-Vincent, a convicted murderer serving a man-datory life sentence, of a decision by the Home Secretary in a letter of October 2 1995 that he should serve 18 years in prison to satisfy the requirements of retribution and determence

The applicant and one co-defen-Dunhar, was acquitted of murder and convicted of manslauhter That verdict was later quashed on appeal.

Causabon-Vincent: Mr James Turner for the secretary of state. LORD JUSTICE RUSSELL. giving the judgment of the court,

said that the case raised a short but and administrative, nevertheless interesting point. contended that the decision-mak

In reviewing the decision of the ing process of the secretary of state secretary of strik the court consid-ered that the starting point must be was subject to constraints which assumed great importance in the in ascertain his true role when he present case. made his decision on the tariff. In a sentence, Mr Owen con-

tended that the Home Secretary It was identified by Lord Mustill It was identified by Lord Mustill in R v Scoretary of State for the Home Department. Ex parte Doxed [[1944] I AC 531, 559. In R v Scoretary of State for the Home Department. Ex parte Pierson ([1946] I All ER 837, 849] Sr Theme Binchen Mustaf St the jury in the criminal trial nor come to a conclusion which was inconsistent with or contradicted that verdict ur its necessary implications. Thomas Bingham, Master of the Rolls, after referring to Expurte Doody said: "But the Home Sec-That constraint, he submitted

was present despite the views of the trial judge and, even if, as in the present case, the judge took the view that the verdici was a PETVETSE ODE. In developing that theme. Mr Owen relied upon the original verdict returned in Dunbury case.

It was, he submitted, of no moment that in order to attack the tanif decided in Causabon-Vincent's case, reference was being man to the verdict against hon but to a verdict involving a co-defendant. Dunbar was acquitted of mur-

der and should have been acquit-ted of manslaughter. The irresisuble inference to be derived from the verdicts, so the argument went, was that there could not have been, in the view of the jury, a

contract killing.

would inevitably have been convicted of murder. The secretary of state, therefore, was not entitled as a matter of taw or lugic to take a contrary view, as be plantly did, even if supported by the trial judge and the Lord Chief Justice.

In their Lordships' judgment, that fundamental submission was uself fotally flawed. From time immemorial the sanctiny of the jury's deliberations in a criminal yorigit built back more and the trial had been protected and the process by which a jury reached its urdict could very rarely he analvard

in the present case there was equally more than one con-ceivable explanation for the jury's acquiral of Dunbar. Air Turner submitted that the jury might well have been sure that both male law occn sure that both male defendants were parties to a cra-tract killing while, in the individ-ual case of Dunbar, the requisite standard of proof was not achieved.

That was a phenomenon sometrials: A might be convicted of conspiring with B and C while B might be acquitted of conspiring with A and C. There was nothing inconsistent in such verdats. In the sentencing exercise of the trial judge if was true that he must kryal to the jury's verde although in terms of individual

culpability he might give effect to his own assessment of an individual case. In their Lordships' judgment,

Because of the difference between the two functions the secretary of state was entitled, and indeed their Londships would have thought, bound to have regard to a number of transforming survival the secret ol considerations outside the scope

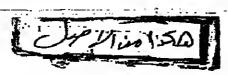
was essentially a policy decision. It must be fair to the convicted but it large and, in their Lordships opinion, as a relevant consideration, the views of the trial judge and of the Lord Chief Justice. Although not apparent in the instant case the secretary of state might also have regard to events squent to the trial or material

Their Lordships took the view that the secretary of state had a very wide discretion. Provided his decision did not breach the requirements of lairness, their Lordships considered that the courts should not interfere.

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retary's function is not an orthodox whichcing hincion." Their Lordships were abun-danily satisfied that the scretary of state's hunction, while in some respects akin to judicial semiencing was not to be equated with it. The

fundamental difference in their

Lordships view was that when the secretary of state came on the scene the life sentence had already been imposed. The vecretary of state's function was to come to a decision upon the fariff in respect of which wider considerations than those which prevailed in the sentencing

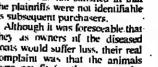
prices might be and usually were of importance. Mr Owen, while acknowledging that there were some differences between the two functions, judicial

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of the sentencing process. The secretary of state's decision

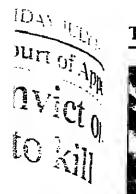
should also reflect, perhaps to a greater event than the judicial process, the views of the public at not adduced in evidence during the

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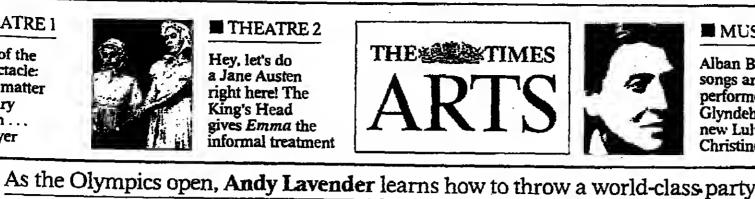
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Alban Berg's songs are performed by Glyndebourne's new Lulu, Christine Schäfer



How will London's new nude musical, Voyeurz, compare with the fleshy wonders of

Oh! Calcutta?

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RECITAL

The last word

International Songmakers Wigmore Hall

THE theme of the first and last songs of composers from Beethoven to Berg inspired Graham Johnson as deviser, commentator and pianist to eloquence worthy of Jaques in his Seven Ages of Man, when Internacional Songmakers returned to the Wigmore Hall on Wednesday.

The German soprano and mezzo, Christine Schäfer and Stella Doufexis, and the young Icelandic baritone Finnur Bjarnason, helped Johnson relate an affectionate pilgrim's progress. He minced no words about Beethoven's first songs. Der Küss, accusing the com-poser of boorishness in the coarse little ditty boldly sung by Bjarnason. And then came the last, visionary song, the Abendlied unterm gestirnten Himmel, with Schäfer's soprano and Johnson's piano-play-ing recreating Beethoven's own starty night. On to Schubert's first (Der

Juneling am Bache) and Mendelssohn's first and last: Der Verlassene (Abandoned), wrigchoreographed to music at Buckten when he was 12, and the Altdeutsches Frühlingslied only days before his death.

On through Brahms and Wolf to Debussy, whose first song was a waltz for a coloratura mistress, ably reincarnated in Schäfer, and to Reynaldo Hahn, who at 13 composed Si mes vers avaient des ailes and probably never wrote a better song. Doufexis was velvet to Schäfer's wild silk.

Fauré's Je me suis em-barque showed Bjarnason well at ease in the French idiom, while his performance of Shostakovich's final Michelangelo setting, Immortal-ity. found the weight to balance the starry piano-writing of a tune the composer wrote when he was nine

After the interval Schäfer, Glyndebourne's own Lulu, fo-

f. late tonight, you tune in organise the largest children's to the opening ceremony of the 1996 Olympics in party in the world, with 180,000 underprivileged child-Atlanta, you will watch one of the biggest live shows ever staged. The creative types at Don Mischer Productions, ren, a million portions of food and the longest sausage on Earth and I'm really quite good." That was in 1985, and who are organising the whole must have been quite a bash. jamboree, are jealously guard-Apart from emphasising the ing their secrets, but you can expect massed choirs, drumvirtues of meticulous planning and close teamwork, Parker ming from 100 percussionists stresses the more creative side and Jessye Norman singing to his work, even in traditional Altius, Citius, Fortius ("Highareas such as the ubiquitous firework display. "We always er, Faster, Stronger" for those who have forgotten their try to co-ordinate the fireworks exactly and to have many

But these are said to be mere different moods, not just fragments of a mega-show, the staging of which involves more than 9.000 people. World records will be broken even before the sporting business begins. It is not only in America that

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mean hundreds

of pyrotechnics

ingham Palace.

be organised, it seems appro-

priate that one of Britain's

leading producers in this field

should be a former Army

keeps in touch with his first

career by producing the Royal

Tournament, but that must be

a breeze compared with last

Consider that Parker had at

his disposal more than 40 acres of parkland; that the

participants over the three

days included tri-service

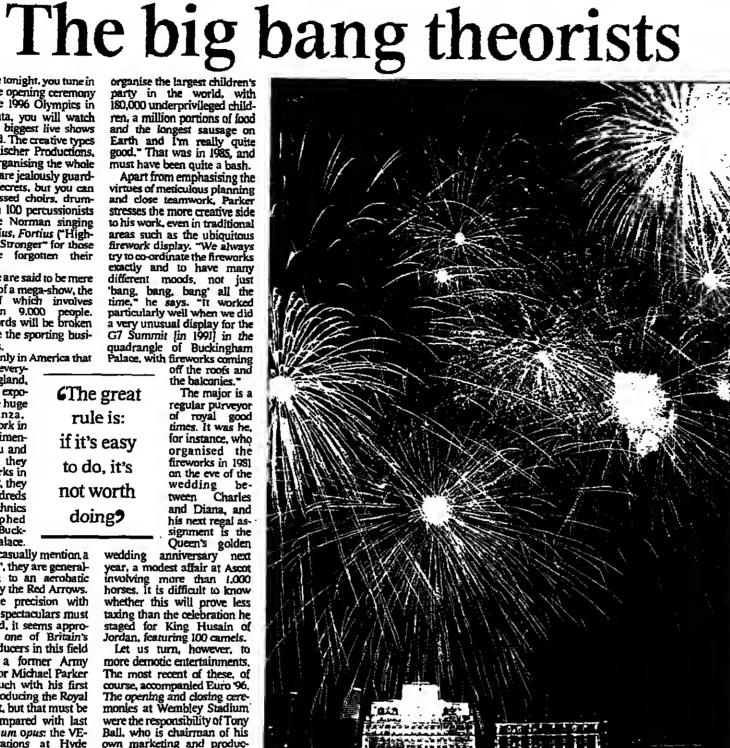
size is everything. England, 100, has its expo-6The great nents of the huge rule is: extravaganza, and they work in different dimenif it's easy sions to you and me. When they to do, it's say "fireworks in the garden", they

bang, bang, bang' all the time." he says. "It worked particularly well when we did a very unusual display for the G7 Summit [in 1991] in the quadrangle of Buckingham Palace, with fireworks coming off the roofs and the balconies." The major is a regular purveyor royal good times. It was he, for instance, who organised the fireworks in 1981

an the eve of the wedding benot worth tween Charles and Diana, and doing? his next regal as-signment is the

Queen's golden When they casually mention a wedding anniversary next year, a modest affair at Ascot "flying visit", they are general-ly referring to an aerobatic exhibition by the Red Arrows. involving more than 1,000 horses. It is difficult to know whether this will prove less taxing than the celebration he Given the precision with which such spectaculars must staged for King Husain of Jordan, featuring 100 carnels. Let us turn, however, to more demotic entertainments. officer. Major Michael Parker The most recent of these, of course, accompanied Euro 96, The opening and closing ceremonies at Wembley Stadium were the responsibility of Tony year's magnum opus: the VE-Day celebrations at Hyde Park and Buckingham Palace. Ball, who is chairman of his own marketing and produc-tion agency, Tony Ball Associates, and one of a small band of blue-chip showmen. "I describe our business as

'industrial theatre'," Ball says, "It isn't theatre for entertainment's sake, pure and simple, but the projection of a mess-



Haven't we seen this one before?

LONDON THEATRE

cranks on, and on and on. turning out products that merge in my mind into Northanger Sensibility, or Prejudice Abbey, or Pride and Persuasion Park. At least Michael Fry's production of his own adaptation of Emma has an amiable, informal feel,

The prevailing style is signalled right away. Three Re-gency belles, decked out in Jennifer Ehle designer dresses, dance onstage and proclaim their wish to put on a play. But what shall it be? The Rivals, or Austen's own Sir Charles Grandison? No. they just happen to have three copies of Emma and, before you can say Colin Firth, they have not only started narrat-ing the book's opening lines but have been joined by two Regency bucks who already

In the programme Fry describes this as "a distancing device", though 1 cannot see why he needs one. It comes across more as an excuse for an ad-hoc set and a lot of jokey doubling, trebling and, in one case, quadrupling. Fortunate-ly, this last case happens to be Katherine Fry, who has undeniable comic gifts. One minute she is Emma Woodhouse's friend Harriet Smith, naively boggling from beneath a wig sired by a rooster on a haystack, and the next she is the awful arriviste Mrs Elton, donating words like "ba-rouche landau" and "Maple

Situations vacant

THE Channel Four Sitcom Festival continues with another prio of half-hour pilot shows, potential television series being tested on live audiences. Sporadically tickling but hardly side-splitting, this week's threesome sees the funny side of cut-throat family

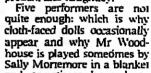
Channel Four Sitcom Festival **Riverside Studios**

scenario in Bleeding Hearts, set in the communal offices of a charity organisation inap

JANE AUSTEN Industries plc King's Head Grove" to the conversation in the manner of Lady Bountiful endowing an almshouse. Either you know the story already, or I will risk spoiling your enjoyment of the five

in keeping with the atmo-sphere of the King's Head. movies, three mini-series, two operas, and one ballet-on-ice about to be based on Austen's original. Enough to say that Clara Salaman makes a pleasant heroine; Jonathan Chesterman's Elton comes across as a dim. bouncing cleric escaped from the musical By Jeeves: and Antony Edridge has the emotional and physical

know everything thought or said by Messrs Knightley, Elton, Weston et al.



weight for Mr Moral Re-

proach, aka Knightley.

Sally Morremore in a blanker and sometimes by a large broom. Either way, one of Austen's most entertaining characters goes missing, as does his most celebrated line. an egg boiled very soft is not unwholesome". Or did I fail to hear this in the narraove fizz of a production so quick-fire that the already mysterious Jane Fairfax is inscrutably said, not to be parentless, but to "have been unfortunate enough to lose both her pants"? Lucky. isn't it, that Jane Austen heroines always

carry a third pair in reserve. BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

cused on the early songs of Alban Berg. Johnson's read-ings from Berg's love letters to his wife, apostrophising her art and her voice, would have been enough to make any soprano feel inadequate. But Schäfer was more than equal to her task, and Doufexis and Bjarnason enjoyed their own darker songs, Winter. Regen and the final Grabschrift.

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massed bands, free-fall para-chutists, a barbershop chorus of 100, a male voice choir of age, product or event which 3,000 and a flypast of vintage has a commercial purpose and perhaps an international aircraft with, as a final trifle, a huge firework and laser display. To complicate matters, there were 57 heads of state to consider.

do things on a grand scale." Parker says. "Ask me to orga-nise a parish fête and I'd be

importance. "With Euro 96 we were playing to an audience of more than 400 million people. If it "Somehow I find it easier to goes wrong, it goes wrong in a big way. It's very scary, but

very exciting." Ball and his colleagues devised an opening ceremony with a narrative of sorts. moving from a medieval setting in which St George slew

tion are daunting. "We had to liaise with the the Dragon, to a history of the development of football, to a civil aviation authorities, high-tech finale. Parachutists Brent Council, the police, the broadcasters and Wembley Stadium," Ball says, "and colanded on the Wembley turf bearing the flags of the partici-pating nations, Mick Huckordinate everything in a time schedule which would run to nall sang the Euro 96 anthem (or dirge, depending on your view), We're in This Together, the second. And we had contingencies ready in case. say. the cloud level wouldn't allow and the Red Arrows flew above the stadium releasing the parachutists to come in, or red, white and blue smoke. if it rained and the orchestra

Lighting the sky: fireworks must be more than "just 'bang, bang, bang' all the time"

the ground."

a Big Strategy.

couldn't appear, or if there had been a crowd problem outside Greenwich peninsula, that give the country an opportunity to participate rather than The next huge celebration merely spectate."

It remains to be seen how this will be achieved, but those comes in the shape of the millennium fesovities in three who enjoy painting on the largest possible canvas are years' time, which are being organised by the design consultancy Imagination. "We already preparing their brushes. Do such massive believe the most important thing is never to forget the Big public entertainments consti-Idea," says Ralph Ardill, the tute an art, however, or are they merely an exercise in company's marketing direc-"The great rule is: if it's easy to do, it's not worth doing." Parker says. "Unless it's vast, tor. In this instance the notion of time provides the central theme, and is accompanied by it's not going to capture peo-

"We want to create a programme of regional activi-ties." Ardill explains, ple's imaginations. And if you're 100 per cent certain it's going to work, you must be doing the wrong thing." "culminating with the millennium celebrations on the

businesses and farcically inefficient offices. Last Legs, by Paul Shearer and Lenny Barker, is a kind of spoof Dallas set Up North. Jack Pike (William Gaunt) is a Yorkshire tycoon. Chewing on his cigar and belching, he is

ruthlessly diddling his prissily pin-striped heirs. Meanwhile,

his eldest son (Robert Bath-

urst) is secretly mastermind-

There are flashes of hilarity.

but the script seems strapped

for jokes. and William

Burdett-Coutts's cast are not fully galvanised. The Magnificent Ander-

sons, by David Upsher and

Diana Fox, has more poten-

tial, picking up on a married

couple who hope to make it as

a double-act on the comedy

circuit but are biting each other's heads off at home.

Andy Riley and Kevin Cecil hit on a satirically promising

ing a takeover bid.

propriately called Action Now. Eluned Hawkins's hopelessly democratic manager offers to phone the trustees to complain about herself whenever she almost takes a decision. Meanwhile, Sarah the teen-

age volunteer throws militant tantrums. Bathurst, as Alan the lecherous aid worker, drapes himself hopefully across the women's desks. But the storyline feels incoherent, and the acting is up and down. Really, the fun of this festi-val, when the scripts aren't quite up to scratch, is seeing an ensemble of established actors tackling the whole season, and being prepared to stand up in front of an audience when still feeling their way into sketchily-written characters.

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compared with, say, the open-

ing and closing ceremonies at

the Barcelona Olympics, fond-ly remembered for their

imaginative panache. Never-

theless, you cannot deny that

the logistics of such an opera-

Ancient Mariner Black Box, Galway

time Lonnie Donegan covers. Macnas use the chaotic wedding scenario as a launch-pad for some dynamic interaction with the audience. Not until the bride and groom and their guests have arrived. bumping and dancing their way through the audience. does the Ancient Mariner show up, dropped from high above in a diving helmet, bang in the centre of the wedding ing — just plenty of space, enough for an indoor parade, complete with two bands and cake.

As he begins to unburden himself to the father-of-thebride, a curtain opens to reveal the full extent of the Even with Coleridge as scriptwriter of the proto-envitheatre and the set. The audironmentalist text, Rhymes ence promenades through isopts against relying too heavily on the spoken word, instead lands and icellows, catches investing most of its energy in sight of a pool of writhing. luminous slime and an orchesthese immense set pieces, tightly choreographed movetra perched on top of a mountain, moves along a thronged quayside and scram-bles to avoid the advancing Rod Goodall, the director, translates the original poem's

framing device, a wedding, to bows of a sailing ship. Soon the Mariner and his a rowdy nuptial celebration in crew are sailing the Southern the west of Ireland, complete seas of the auditorium, getting with a despotic father-of-thebride and a beer-bellied skiffle caught in living ice - great transparent shards filled with

howling actors - and eventually siting the cursed albatross (trapeze artist Zoe Maistre, dancing high above the crowd

in a white jumpsuit). With activity on this grand style, performances, and vocal performances in particular, have apparently suffered a lack of attention. The cast interact boisterously with the audience on an individual level, but when isolated on the show's various moving stages they instantly becomes stiffer and less engaging. Most of the drama is con-

ducted in a broad, pantomime style. Nevertheless, more inspiring verse recitations would certainly have added force to the production. As it

was, the lines hissed by the Mariner (Midie Corcoran), were far too flimsy. At this wedding feast, the trimmings are undeniably more enjoyable than the main dish. It is only when the Mariner

has finally completed his rime, and the wedding band has reappeared, that the production picks up speed again. Precious energy returns, but only as the happy couple run from the building, where a walting Morris Minor speeds them into the Corrib sunset.

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THE ODD COUPLE: Jack Klugman, Tany Randal play the two divorced husbands, slob and fussport, in a revival ol Nel Smon's comety. Thestre Royal, Haymarkst, SW1 (0177-930 8800), Mon-Fri, April Set 8 15pm; mets Thura, 3pm and Set, 5pm (2)

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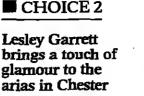
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A small change of direction for the Black Crowes on their new Three Snakes and One Charm



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David Sinclair hears the Black Crowes lighten up and fly straight at the charts

LONDON

LONDON BBC PROMS 66: The annual Henry Wood Promenade Concetts are upon us once again, and the 102nd season opens with Haydn's cratterio The Creation (congit, 7,30cm). Andrew Davis conducts the BBC Symphony Orchestra and Chorus, with Juliane Banes, soorano. Henrs Peter Blochwitz, Jenor, and Wolfgang Schöne, bentone. On Saturday (Born). Bernard Healink conducts the Royal Opera House Orchestra and Chorus in an Italian version of Verdi's oper House Orchestra and Chorus in an Italian version of Verdi's oper Don Carlos, Sylve Valayre, Olga Borodine and Dmitri Hworstowsky are among the solicits. Well's Jazz-influenced The Silver Lake (Sunday, 7,30pm) brings the first weekend to a close; performed by the London Sintonette under Markus Sizerz, Sung in Garman Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, SW7 (0171-589 6212) Tongh-Sun.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Sr Edward Heath HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Sr Edward Heath celebrates his 80th birthday by conducting the English Chamber Orchestra in Weber's Oberon overture, Deltus's exocative Summer Night on the River, Mozart's Piano Concerto No 17 and Schubert's Piano Concerto No 17 and Schubert's Piano Concerto No 17 and Schubert's magical Fitth Symphony The evening ends with Handel/Hary's Wister Mizec and a special cuter fireworks disply Kerwood Laiteetde, Hampsteed Lane, NW3 (0171-413 1443) Tomorrow, 7 30om.

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D BY JEEVES: Delightful musical creation by Alan Ayckbourn and Andrew Lloyd Webber, based on the Wodehouse heroes; first arrempted 20 vears ago, now entirely revised. Dulies of York's, St Martin's Lane, W1 (0171-836 S122). Mon-Set, 7 45pm, mats Wed and Set, 3pm 👸

Hote web all disk, spinted revival of the 20-year-old troute show: P.J. Proby plays the Vegas Bvis and Tan Whimel plays the Pelvis in his prime Postavely no emphasis on the late-right gorging on pearut butter and jello torpedoes. Prince of Wales, Coventry Street W1 (0171-839 6972). Mon-Thurs Spint Fri and Set, 5:30 and 8:30pm

HABEAS CORPUS. Tempe cast for Invival of Alan Bennett's marvellously modern face: Bronda Blefhyn, Celia Invie, Imelda Staunton, Jim Broedben Nocholas Woodeson, and Sam Mende

Donmar Warehouse, Earliern St, WC2 (0171-389 1732), Mon-Sal, 8pm mats Thurs and Sat, 4pm, Until July 27

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Until July 27 JULIUS CAESAR Christophe Benjamin plays the colossus, with John Nettles and Julian Glover (Brutus and Caselus) snapping at his heets in Peter Hall's production from last year's rd season.

NEW RELEASES

LES APPRENTIS (15): Meandering adventures of French layabouts, Wea comedy by Plema Salvadori, with François Circlet and Guillauma Deparcieu ABC Swiss Centre (0171-439 4470) MGM Trocadero (2) (0171-434 0031)

Schumann's Manified overture and Berlioz's Symphonia Fantastique. Festival box office (01244 341 200). A daily guide to arts and entertainment npiled by Gillian Maxey

WEEKEND CHOICE

Feetbaal box office (01244 341 200). STRATFORD UPON AVON: Joseph Fiernes and Victoria Hamilton play fits title roles in lan Judge's production of Trollaus and Crussida, Philip Voss and Richard McCabe likely to be splandid as Ulysses and Thersiles Hoyal Shalkaspeere, Watersida (01789 285 623). Previews begin lonight, Tym. Opens July 24. Then in rep. [5] White SEE Dr. A todam addition of 20 1950s French film. Already seen in Manchester, Bristol and Birmingham, it now comes floating into London. Ruan Murchison creates a lovely set. National Theatre (Oliver), South Bank, SEI (1017) 4282 2529, Previews begin tomorrow, 3pm and 7pm. Then at rep. April Opens July 24, Tren in rep. (g) WINGFEELD: A touring exhibition of 20 prints from Natures's Juzz series, organised by the Hoywerd Gallexy for the Ans Council. Wingfield Arts at the Old College, Suffath (01379 364 048). Opens tomorrow, 2-6pm Then Sat and Sun only, 2-6pm Unit September 22. ELSEWHERE BUOCTOM: A limited number of tickets remain for a co-production by Opera Northern Instand and the Lynic Theatre, Befast, of John Gay's satirical The Begger's Opera (longin, 7.30pm; Sunday, 2.30pm), On Saturday (2.20pm) the Deam Theatre Company LONDON GALLERIES LONDON GALLERIES Curven Gallery: Yuj Ok: Recent Paintings (0171-536 1459) Haywert: Class Oldenburg: an Anthology (0171-638 3144) Mattilaesen Gallery: Gold Backs 1270-1470 (0171-930 2437)... Museum of the Noving Image: Image-In Visions of Future Images (0171-815 1350)... National Gallery: Degas (0171-83 1123)... The Orangery: Hackney Contemporaries (0171-83 1123)... The Photographers' Gallery: Lany Clark: Kold (0171-83 1123)... Serpentine: Pater Recht and Devid Wess (0171-402 6075)

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THEATRE GUIDE

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mar Set, 4pm C NORTHANGER ABBIEY: Sarah Lane Hoim plays Jane Auster's syoing Jane Hoim plays Jane Auster's young tan of the Gothic shock-homor romance, Matthew Francis directs a pleasing adaptation Generavict, Crooma Hill, SE10 (0181-858 7755) Mon-Sat, 7 ASpm; mat Sat, 2.30pm Until August 17, [5]

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Reasons to be cheerful (partly)

SINGLE

MUNDY To You I Bestow (Epic 099766 346229) MUNDY, a 21-year-old singer and songwriter from Birr, County Offaly, is the latest in a steady stream of Irish musical exports, and his new single is a heartfelt folk-rock song performed with that stirring

sense of mission so typical of that country's performers. . "My love for you is better than diamonds/To you everything I bestow," he promises in a brogue that recalls the troubadour style of Mike Scott, while the band conjures up a suitably windswept backfirm uptempo beat. A thunder-

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BLACK CROWES Three Snakes and One Charm

(American/BMG 74321 38484) BUFFETED by internal strife and oo doubt chastened by the comparatively modest sales of their previous offering, Amorica, the Black Crowes have rung a few changes on Three Snakes and One Charm, their fourth album. For whereas Amorica was a gloriously uncompromising

Crowes' pop album. But, although a broadly enjoyable collection, in striving a little too self-consciously for mainstream appeal it lacks the driven quality of its predecessors.

Basically, this is the Black

Rent Free In Your Head (Talkin Loud/ Mercury 532 634) BEST known for her association with Massive Attack, with whom she has recorded and toured. Nicolette picks up the threads of a fitful solo career with Let No-One Live Rent Free In Your Head. In keeping with its title, the album has a studied air of post-trip hop weirdness about it. Strange electronic sound effects vie with smatterings of brass on We Never Know, while a skittish jungle drum rhythm pushes the rubbery

jazz melody of Song for Europe along in a breathless, minimalist rush.

By the time it gets to Nightmare. in which Nicolette's sighing, kittenish whisper is enveloped by a swirling mess of noise that sounds as if it was concocted in a cement mixer, the novelty is wearing as thin as the musical content.

There has been a lot of this stuff flying around in the wake of Portishead's groundbreaking album, Dummy, with artists from Moloko and



Cheer up, dear old Black Crowes, there are much worse things to be than successful

Toni Braxton is approaching the dizzy heights of success inhabited by that select breed and R. Kelly among others, Secrets is a collection of mod-ern soul and swingbeat loveof pop divas on first-name terms with the world.

her current hit, You're Makin' Like Whitney and Mariah, Me High, are mildly seduc-Toni has a tremendous singtive, and there is a dark twist ing technique, hier vocal signa-

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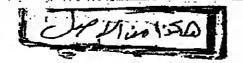
THE FLIP KINGS songs arranged in various shades of slow. Some, such as

NICOLETTE Let No-One Live

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POP 3 Eclectic and a touch eccentric: Afro Celt Sound System sum up the spirit of a Womad festival



Even the gangly Jarvis Cocker was all but invisible at the appalling T-in-the-Park





BLUES Sonny Rhodes, with steel guitar on lap and turban on head, is showcased on a new CD



Complex, subtle and many-layered: Maria Schneider's arrangements are collected on a new recording

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Cattle are better treated

If Glastonbury is the peach of pop festivals, last weekend's T-in-the-Park must be the pits

There is a general misinformation deal going on with festivals. Promoted as a thrilling rock'n roll rollercoaster ride full of camaraderie. good vibes, exotic cuisine and bands all playing as if it's the last night at Woodstock, they turn out to be fields full of drunken future convicts spoiling for a fight: gut-ror in a bun, and bands like Kula Shaker playing their one hi and unreasonably expecting applause for do-

ing so. Within three hours of arriving at the festival, disappointment begins to set in. Your life hasn't changed and there isn't a decent band on until tomorrow. The mark of a good festival is whether things improve after this point.

Glastonbury, the most perfectly festival formed on this earth, provides ample opportunities for escaping festival ssion: fields full of naked pagans standing on their heads: people dressed as sausages trying

to interest you in the worshipping of the sun god Ra: lots of relaxed people with purple hair who are more than happy to direct you to the nearest. sacred toilet. The organis-adon is well-oiled and all encompassing without ever being obtrusive, and one gets the general feeling that one is a treasured guest of Michael Eavis, the organiser. This feeling is

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screens were provided. With crowds of that size, the majority of the audience is about 200 yards away from the stage. When you have spent three weeks' wages on attending the whole event. you expect to see some small part of what's going on. Even with Jarvis Cocker, who is around eight feet tall, it was like watching a singing Crimplene flea circus through the wrong end of a telescope. Secondly, it was a linle disturbing to see children of eight and nine with sponsors Tennants T logos painted on to their faces by resident face-paimers. It be-

anended a concert with

audiences in excess of

60.000 where no large video

came tasteless when one spent any time at all outside the festival area. Here were about 2,000 ticketless punters drinking Buckfast tonic wine; some try-ing to snatch tickets from those

who had them: CAITLIN groping female security staff, MORAN and instigating constant little spats with not-shielded police. Watching endless streams of unconscious

drunks being stretchered to ambulances, beneath billowing. 50ft Tennants "T" flags, was one of those jokes without any humour. The scariest thing of all, though, in a fraught two days, was the utter lack of co-ordination between the festival site and the main compounded by hearing camping area. The two were



Nigel Williamson welcomes the Womad festival of world music, which begins today

Into the melting por Afro Celt Sound System produce a unique and exciting blend of the musics of Senegal, Ireland and a Breton druid barpist

humb pianos from Zimbabwe, zithers from Madagascar, dance music from the barrios of Havana and a troupe of women drummers from Wagogo. The Womad festival, a joyous celebradon of exotic sounds from around the world, is with us again. World music always was a silly title. Yet ever since Peter

Gabriel financed the first Wornad, back in 1982, the name has stuck in a business that is uoable to grapple with anything new until a label can be hung on it. Fourteen years on, Womad is an established and unique part of the festival Womad's losses. season in Britain, representing a vibrant concept of mar-rying music from different cultures and giving worldwide exposure to artists who other-

wise might never be heard outside their own backyards. Yet this weekend's three-day event at Reading is only

Mark's Square.

On the global village green

had a budget of £3,000. The for Racial Equality. Womad is Edinburgh band who add Times described it as a "couraregistered as an educational geous endeavour" but the debts were huge. Gabriel was charity and has published a series of books with Heineforced to reform Genesis for a mann, Britain's largest educaone-off concert to cover tional publisher, as well as putting on a range of concerts and other activities in the classroom, highlighting music far removed from the Western

Despite the early problems, the two men had a clear, if naive, vision. Gabriel says: We wanted to allow different classical tradition. "We have audiences to gain an insight into cultures other than their really made a mark on how music is taught in Britain. In own. Music is a universal 1982, Somerset schools sent our packs back in the belief language, it draws people and proves the stuthat

contemporary dance beats to Scottish jigs and reels, while from Wales come Hen Wlad Fy Mamau, integrating Celtic traditions with Asian rappers and Afro-dub DJs.

Most intriguing of all is Afro Celt Sound System, whose producer, Simon Emmerson, believes that the Celts migrated from the Middle East through Africa into Western

Europe. As a result, he says. "the kora and the Celtic harp. the African talking drum and the bodhran essencially seem to talk the same language". Gathering together Senega-lese musicians from Baaba Maal's band, tradicional Irish exponents of instruments such as the uillean pipes and a Breton druid harpist, Emmerson has mixed the ancient with modern jungle, ambient and trip-hop beats to produce an unlikely but marvellous collaboracion which sums up the spirit of Womad - eclectic, eccentric, anarchic but endlessly fascinating and welcome antidote to the indulgences and excesses of the rest of the music business.

• Womad takes place at River-mead, Reading, from today until Sunday. Tickets for the weekend cost E50. Tel: 0118-939 0930.

JAZZ ALBUMS

Extra texture

MARIA SCHNEIDER JAZZ ORCHESTRA Coming Abour (Enja ENJ-9069 2)

AS the designation "Orchestra" rather than the more informal "Big Band" suggests. 35-year-old composer Maria Schneider is less interested in out-and-out Basie-ish swing than in impressionistic, multitextured compositions. Even the two non-Schneider pieces, John Coltrane's Giant Steps and Alex North's Love Theme from Spartacus, are transformed into quintessen-tial Schneider arrangements: complex, subtle and manylayered without being unduly esoteric or forbidding. While Schneider's two most

important influences, former teacher Bob Brookmeyer and former employer Gil Evans, are still discernible in her work, Coming About is one of the most adventurous - and enjoyable - big-band recordings of recent years.

DAVE BLACKMORE Fields of Fire (FMR CD30-E0596) LOCATED somewhere between the jazz/folk fusion of Lammas and the understated chamber-jazz of Perfect Houseplants, British reeds-man Dave Blackmore's quartet produce a softly propulsive, intimate sound slightly more robust than that suggested by titles such as Still Green Way or Painting the Colour of the Wind. Blackmore is equally at home in hard-bop and folkdance bands, and he sets his group's tone with his pleasantly breathy alto, strident soprano or agile bass-clarinet. Guitarist Phil Robson is a

neat, inventive soloist; bassist Tim Wells and drummer Paul Clarvis provide discreet, sup-ple rhythm throughout. A highly auspicious debut.

CHRIS PARKER

indulged in dangerous, mind-bending drugs and remain, hidden in trees, after the festival has ended. Eavis coaxes them down and keeps them as guests at his farmhouse for a few days, before finding out their addresses and driving them home. I can't imagine the same

thing happening with the organisers of last weekend's T-in-the-Park festival in Scotland. I rather suspect that if one was a personal house guest of the organisers of T-in-the-Park, one would be charged a supplement every time they made you a cup of tea. I imagine this being the case if you were their child and it was your birthday.

T-in-the-Park is a two-day investment opportunity held in the open air in Hamilton, near Glasgow, at which bands happen to play. I have never before

by a motorway lined with police cars, to prevent drunken campers crossing the road to get to bed. The correct and official way back to the tents was by festival bus. However, transport arrangements were so poor that queues were more than a mile long for the buses; campers were falling asleep while standing in line. One can only imagine what it would have been like on a cold, rainy

night. Even cattle don't get treated like cattle these days: after all the BSE scares they are now in centrally heated barns with en suite fields. being fed fresh vegetables and given proper psycho-logical counselling before their slaughter. At T-in-the-Park, though, the cattle had their wallets briskly empoed and their faces painted with bright red 'T's before being left to fend for themselves.

small part of the global pic-ture. Womad stages about a pidity of racism."

rooman admits that dozen festivals a year around the world and has taken its they were amateurs. message of musical edecticism "We were devouring in the way that a 13-year-old to more than 40 countries. Thomas Brooman, its visiondiscovers pop music. It was our enthusiasm for the music ary artistic director, who has been with Womad since the outset, now spends his time that made us want to share it trawling the globe for fresh with as wide an audience as venues and new artists. He is possible."

Today the organisation is currently planning events in Australia, New Zealand and still small - just nine full-time staff working from Gabriel's Old Mill complex at Box in Wiltshire. But Brooman be-Singapore and has been looking for a suitable festival site in the Arizona desert. During the Venice carnivale this year. lieves that Womad plays a Womad followed Pink Floyd vital role in the face of the and Paul McCartney in stagcommercial cynicism of the ing only the third ever contemmodern music industry. "We are providing an accessible porary music concert in St and lively platform so that If this sounds grand, it was not always so. When Gabriel and Brooman organised the first Womad at Shepton Malpeople can come without prejudice to see and listen and get

a broader perspective on music in the world." let. Somerset, with the drum-mers of Burundi, Echo and the Brooman is particularly proud of the educational pro-Bunnymen, the Chieftains and some Chinese dancers, they gramme, financed partly by a grant from the Commission

ing them into some devil's cauldron. Ten years later we were appearing on curriculum lists as required reading."

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Yet it is the live festival which remains at the heart of Wornad. "At its best we transport people outside the usual house of culture to a temporary, surreal village," Broo-man says. The global village which hits Reading today promises to be no exception. Some of the biggest names in world music are appearing, including Thomas Mapfumo from Zimbabwe and Jamai-

ca's Mighty Diamonds. Yet paradoxically the big-gest impact this year is likely to come from performers clos er to home. The festival has booked a range of British musicians who are spearhead-ing a rediscovery of their own heritage, intermingling tradi-tional folk idioms with world influences to produce something unlikely and often excitingly new and wild. Shooglenifty, for example, are an

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was based in unfashionable Cincinnati or the fact that few of its huge roster of rhythm and blues, gospel and country stars (except James Brown) ever crossed over to become big sellers. Yet, as a new fourbig seliers. Yet, as a new four-CD release. The King R&B Box Set (King KBSCD-7002) proves, its influence was as great as that of Chess in Chicago or the New York-based Atlantic label. Records such as Earl Bostic's Flamingo, Wynonie Harris's Good Rockin' Tonight and Lonnie Johnson's Tomorrow Night were all huge R&B hits while others such as Fever by Little Willie John, Sonny Thompson's I'll Drown In My Own Tears and Dedicated To The One I Love by the 5 Royales became big successes for Peggy Lee, Ray Charles and the Mamas and Papas respectively. The label managed to sur-vive into the 1960s with the help of James Brown, but its best years were behind it. With most of Brown's soul and funk material already available, this set concentrates on the label's R&B heritage. But missing are contributions from Johnny Ous or Jimmy Witherspoon. King did not have it all its own way. Decca was able to compete with artists such as the ground-breaking Louis

THE King label tends to get overlooked in the history of rock. Perhaps it is because it Jordan and Savoy Ballroom favourite Buddy Johnson, whose early hits are included on Walk Em - The Decca Sessions (Ace CDCHD623). The band was able to turn itself from swing outfit into fully-fledged R&B unit with the help of numbers such as Fine Brown Frame, That's The Stuff You Gotta Watch and the outstanding ballad by Buddy's sister Ella, Since I Fell For You.

BLUES ALBUMS

Kingly treasures

A wider view of that post-war period which saw the death of swing and the birth of R&B is provided by the double CD set Roots of Rhythm & Blues 1939-1945 (Frémeaux & Associés FA050). It starts with Jordan and Joe Liggins, before taking in Dinah Washington, Big Joe Turner. Hot Lips Page and the guitar-playing Sister Rosetta Tharpe.

There is a welcome return for an unusual bluesman in the shape of Out Of Control by Sonny Rhodes (King Snake KS-031). Unusual in that he is one of the lew bluesmen to wear a turban or play a steel guitar on his lap - country style. The turban may add a touch of sartorial flair, but it is the lap steel which brings a new dimension to numbers like the Pickin' Your Bones or the brassy Out of Control. JOHN CLARKE



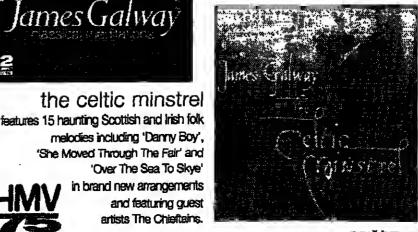
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EDUCATION

Duncan Baxter says the modular exam structure is undermining the traditional sixth-form ethos

Time to save our sixth-forms

-level standards are likely to be back under the microscope next month if, as predicted, the pass rate continues to rise in line with the growing popularity of modular courses.

However, it is not just the shape of the A level which has been changed by the modular approach. but the nature of the whole sixthform experience.

Each September (tell every year group who are about to embark on their A-level courses that as well as developing the skills and know-ty ledge they will need for higher education, they should view the coming two years as a time when their values and beliefs will start to take shape; beliefs and feelings that will stay with them for ever. These ideas will come from the general studies programme and through participation in the debate and cultural life which should pervade the

sixth-form years. Their ideas will be argued over and tested in the cut and thrust of life in the sixth-form common room, and by visits to the cinema

and theatre, and to lectures. I tell them that the sixth-formers set the tone for the whole school. If they are intellectually curious, self-

disciplined in their study and take up the opportunities open to them at school, the rest of the school will follow their lead.

And so to examinations. We all look back with fond memories to our A-level study and recall the joy of the public examination-free lower sixth year. It was wonderful to be able to read, discuss and think widely, knowing it was still pos-sible to do well later, in our examinacions.

No one now would condone the oldfashioned end-loaded examinauons, where cramming during the final weeks or months for O or A level ruled. Thus the advent of coursework, which spread the load, matching". offered opportunities to practise and test other skills, and gave those who did not perform well in end-loaded examinations a chance to

shine. It was more work, but we all felt it was worthwhile. The old adage that "pupils like continuous assessment, but do not like being assessed continuously' comes to mind; the modular approach had arrived.

In addition to increasing choice and diversity through the mixing of modules both inter and intra subjects, this approach was thought to encourage steady work

throughout the course and to provide continuing motivation and sumulation. The first of these advantages is true, although, in practice, not much "mixing and matching" has been done; more, we find differences between subjects highlighled; m some subjects it is not possible to reach the equivalent of A-level standard after one year. The arts and humanities are difficult to divide into segments, because one's understanding of, say,

Hamlet changes over two years. This creates an unnatural divide between arts and sciences that does not enhance our ability to broaden A-level study by "mixing and What of motivation? Well, yes,

some students like to have a list of modules to tick off, and it can aid the structure of their time for them. Equally, for many students it exacerbates rather than alleviates the concept of trial by examination. Modular examinations can also

wreck the corporate life of the sixth form. It seems that someone is always in a panic about examinations. We have, perhaps, lost the collective pace, the shared shape of the sixth-form course, where there is the mutual understanding and support of everyone engaged in



Lower sixth-former Giulia Cherchi in a biology class at the author's school, Kingston Grammar

trial examinations together, who then generale their own atmosphere when working towards the real thing.

The stop-go modular approach means that the non-modular sub-jects have to endure interruption to their teaching programmes as students inevitably concentrate on the subject to be examined, and co-curricular activities have the fate at

several times over two years that the second half of the final summer common complaint that the concenterm has traditionally seen.

tracion span of the young is shorter than it used to be. I always advise GCSE and A-level candidates to The modular approach is not the only factor in changing the habits use "blocks" of time in their revision programmes so their minds of young minds. The soundbite culture has also affected more than and bodies are used to sitting still in just the way politicians think and one place for the equivalent time of speak; it has had a profound iman examination session - no getpact on the ability of students to ting up to make another cup of focus for any length of time. It is a coffee or to put on another CD.

Surely, something must encourage learning as a commitment to rigorous but enjoyable study in detail, leading to a grand finale? increasingly, all educational institutions are being regarded as glorified supermarkets where items are chosen from the subjects likely to yield high grades. The sense of true academy will be lost if we are all engaged in an individual pursuit of custom-built education, What price the camaraderie of everyone aiming for shared goals within a common time frame in an atmosphere conducive to co-operation and the smooth running of a school, where a broad approach to learning should involve time spent in pursuing excellence in music, drama, sport; myriad physical and cultural endeavours?

The brave new world of academic disciplines filleted into bite-sized chunks, whose credit can be transferred over a long period of time, is one solution for higher education or aduh or continuing education or third-age education, and for enabling the long-awaited opportunity to mix academic and vocacional courses. But should we be thinking about allowing our school pupils to enjoy the fruits of community endeavour and the time to enjoy a balanced education, which will surely create the civilised leaders of the future?

Should we give more thought to what, precisely, a modular ap-proach in school says about the nature of learning and the community of learners?

• The author is Headmaster of Kingston Grammar School, Kingston upon



Susan Elkin says that for children, going to the theatre should not be regarded as a luxury Staging a little vital magic

few years ago I attend- their own neighbourhood culture.

Of course I polarise to make a point, but it's worrying how few parents seem to strike a happy medium. It was therefore a joy to see so many children happily exercising their imagination in the re-laxed and charming atmosphere of the Polka Theatre in Wimbledon the other day.

The Polka is the only children's theatre in London. To step inside its doors is to enter another world. It is full of

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hildLine told us recent-ly that 79 per cent of 1.022 school students involved with examinations were worried about them. Nothing unusual in that. But it also said further research revealed suicidal tendencies in

some. If that didn't strike fear into at least some of the overwhelming majority of students who are not unduly concerned about their exams or schoolwork, then the Samaritans surely will - if, as last year. their spin doctors try to link suicides to exams when the Alevel and GCSE results are published in August. With an estimated two mil-

lion students taking a mindboggling It million separate national school examinations each year, one must question the marketing and promotional ethics of these estimable charities.

There is no evidence to link suicide with school examinations. The Samaritans certainly couldn't provide any last year when I asked them, and the ChildLine press information mentions only one at-tempted suicide. One too many, of course, but out of

millions of students involved with examinations and schoolwork, it is hardly damning. indeed, in all but one of the

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The vast majority of children cope well with exams

case studies given in the ChildLine press release, the problem was clearly one of parental pressure. Eliminate exams and schoolwork from the equation and the parents

would still be there. Bullying alone accounted for 76 per cent of the 17,004 calls to ChildLine about school worries in 1994-1995. But only 1.5 per cent of the young people counselled in that period had predominantly school problems (covering all aspects of

was then a crisis.

school life except bullyingl. So why was the impression given that 79 per cent of young people were seriously worried about schoolwork and exams

and schoolwork are inextrica-

nationally, when the real figure - from ChildLine's own records - is at most fewer than 1.5 per cent of those who

are actually counselled? Evidence exists, however, to link high-profile suicide publicity with increased incidence of the act. We could, of course, ignore this fact. Ignorance may be bliss, but it doesn't solve , problems. Education

and a positive attitude can.

Twenty years ago the transition from primary to second-ary school was traditionally tabled days and the mind-deadenfraught with fear, insecurity ing external "enand uncertainty. Education, tertainment" of understanding and early visits television, video to the new school helped to and computer take the drama out of what games, that children need time and But a new and artificially space to explore manufactured crisis is emerging. in which students are led to believe that examinations

bly linked with suicide and stress. Fear is being instilled through the dramatic portrayal of the severely negative, atypical experiences of the few. If the results next month are better than last year's, the critics will again claim a drop in standards. The students

and she occupies a permanent place in my memory. in the foyer illustrate fairy We tend to forget, in these stories and past productions. clinical days of national curricu-Children lum attainment targets, the strict routine of timeneed time to

imaginative magic of theatre.

explore the world of fantasy

the world of the imagination as well. As the old Punch cartoon had it: "Sometimes I sits and thinks, and then again and sit down. just sits". Modern children seem to get almost no time for

either sitting or thinking. On the one hand many parents regiment and orga-nise their children's lives into closely supervised, structured closely supervised, structured activites — sport, music lesson, clubs — for every waking minute of every day. "Time is something to be filled/ every minute must be killed", as Betjeman observed satirically. At the other extreme are those parents whose children seem to bring themselves up with so

garden for pic-nics, there is an attractive café for families. A softfloored open-air playground in a pretty, leafily shaded courtyard lies through another door. Lots of children were ex-citedly tumbling about in the Wendy house and on the slide

while they waited for 2pm and the time to go into the theatre We were there to see Three

Cheers for Mrs Butler, a musical play based on the poems and characters of Allan Ahlberg, adapted by Vicky Ireland and with music by Colin Matthews. And what fun it was. Mrs Butler's primary school class goes through everything which primary school children know about and think about.

The interaction is beautifully presented, from the Welsh headmaster who reiterates: "In this school we work hard and play hard", to the teacher who seems more concerned about lost scissors than miss-

vibrance. Big window displays As well as a Dystin Johnson in Three Cheers for Mrs Butler ing children, the hamster

which keeps escaping from its cage, the child who can only read slowly and the one who misbehaves because he wants someone to notice him. The five to It-year-old child-

ren in the audience were spellbound -- by the story, the music and the magic of theatre

Polka has two theatre spaces - the larger one with conventional tip-up seating, where these older children watched Three Cheers for Mrs Butler, and a cosier, less formal space with plays for three to five-year-olds. Polka relies on sponsorship for its several productions each year, many of which are also performed in schools and community centres.

Three Cheers for Mrs Butler is sponsored by Flik Flak. The same company has financed the "First-timer Project" which will enable 1,200 children who, for financial reasons, have never been to a theatre performance, to come to Polka this

That, presumably, is why the Puritans closed the theatres during the Commonwealth in the mid 17th century. Freedom of thought was not on the agenda. Theatre was also censored in the Soviet Union. Theatre is powerful. Of course children can benefit from all sorts of theatre. It Surely we want our children to doesn't have to be a play or experience and grow through establishment dedicated that power? to children. Witness that child at

 Polka Theatre, 240 Broadway, Wimbledon, London SW19 ISB (0181-543 4888). Three Cheers for Regent's Park. The important thing is that theatre should never be allowed to become a Mrs Butler runs until August 17.

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y 13-year-old daughter was at home for three days this week. She should, of course, have been at school. She was not ill, just saving herself from being the object of discussion and humiliation. As her mother I supported her in her request to be allowed to stay at home. This week, at her school in Kent, was "Arts Week" when for three days

no formal study took place. The pupils could choose various activities which to participate - one morning, one afternoon for two days and then a compulsory day trip for the last day.

These activities have to be paid for and it is here that the problems arise. We are all aware that unemployment is high and that income in many homes is only sufficient to meet necessities. As the mother of four children, all attending school. I face these problems on a regular basis. The cost of "Arts Week" could be in the region of £20. This is a large

amount of money to be found from a family budget where there may be one or two wage carners, but could be impossible to find where there is no wage-earner at all.

Schools will tell us that it is

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The 'contributions' schools demand are too much for many households, says a parent

impossible for them to fund every t child for an activity or school trip. I appreciate that this is the case, but the letters that are sent home from schools do not help.

The schools commonly state that if there is no parental contribution then events and trips will have to be cancelled, "Contribution" is the key word. Most letters will state "... in order that this visit/event may take place a contribution of EXX is required". The letters also state that "no child will be excluded because of inability to pay. Please see your form tutor in confidence to discuss the simation." We now have parents being placed in a degrading situation. Why should THEY have to go, cap in hand, to discuss their personal situation and finances?

Our school went one better than asking for a parental contribution this year. A letter came home listing the activities available for my 13-year-old daughter. Kick-boxing, swimming, animation, modelling. Indian cultural

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day, board games, field games, tenpin bowling and dry-slope skiing. Beside each activity was the cost - not even a mention of "contribution".

It was a classic case of pay up or else. The "or else" was the problem for my daughter. She, as a vulnerable 13year-old, actually had the courage to approach a member of staff to explain that we could not afford the amounts required. Humiliating enough, you might think, but worse was to come. She was then told that nothing could be done to help her. If you cannot pay, then you have to stay in school with pupils from another year and take part in normal lessons.

Demands for money are constantly being made by schools. The National Confederation of Parent Teacher Associations estimated earlier this week that parents are subsidiing their children's education by £1.3 billion annually.

Three of my four children came home with letters in one week. The first came from my nine-year-old

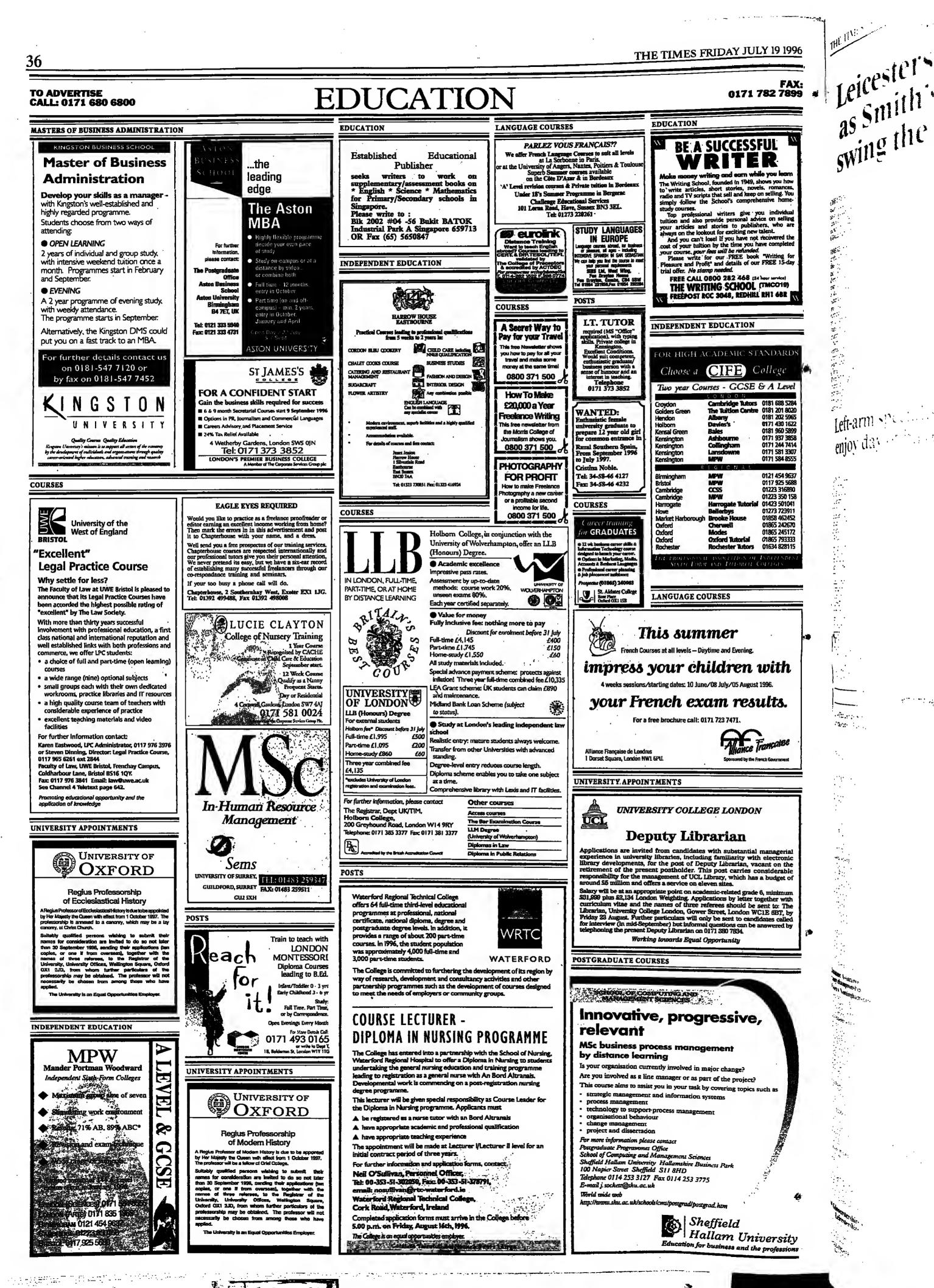
daughter - a trip to Chatham Historic Dockyard. The dockyard is only ten miles away but the cost was £6.50. Two days later my 13-year-old came home with a proposed visit to Rochester Castle and Cathedral, at a cost of £4.50. The final straw came two days later from my eldest son, studying his GCSEs. He was also expected to go to the Dockyard. The same journey of ten miles but a cost of E8. A total expenditure of £19.

School visits are more frequent than ever. No parent wants to be seen as impeding their child's education, no matter what difficulties they may be facing. So they worry themselves senseless and scrimp and save in order to pay.

My 13-year-old daughter will return to school today with a letter stating that she was ill -a lie, we know. As her mother I am prepared to lie to save her and her family from any further embarrassment. Roll on the day when government ministers, LEAs, school governors and head teachers realise that parents are not a never-ending source of money.

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can't win. And their loss is now to be compounded as "stress" and "suicide" are marketed like any other commodity. It seems the "cause" is far more important to some than the effect on others. little adult intervention that The author is spokesman for the Associated Examining Board and Southern Examining Group they are trapped within the unimaginative insularity of Pay up - or face humiliation



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CRICKET

Leicestershire toil as Smith's efforts swing the balance

BY ALAN LEE

CHELTENHAM (first day of only 27 overs, Still, they will four; Leicestershire won the toss): Leicestershire, with five second-innings wickets in hand. are 168 runs ahead of Gloucestershire.

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THERE is seldom a dull day at the Cheltenham festival but this was taking tradition too far. The bowlers were so dominant and the batsmen so impolent that those expecting a day in the marquees on Saturday, let alone Monday. are likely to find there is nothing left to watch. By then, in all probability. Leicestershire will lead the county championship.

None of this scenario seemed likely as lunchtime approached with one wicket when and baning looking entirely straightforward. From 78 for onc. Leicestershire stumbled to 159 all out, a total that required rapid re-evaluaoon as Gloucestershire were dismissed for a meagre 71 in demonstrated graphically

little wrong since he got into

the England team, but his

challengers for the left-arm

fast bowling position issued

reminders yesterday that they

remain very much in

While Paul Taylor was caus-

ing havoc at Northampton

and Mike Smith enjoying himself at Leicestershire's ex-

pense. Mark flott, of Essex,

with four for 31, was helping

Ronnie Irani to bowl out

Nottinghamshire for 97 at

Chelmsford. Irani's figures of

five for 27 were his best for the

county, but it was llott who

removed Tim Robinson, the

only batsman to offer serious

Then Simon Brown, the

country's leading wicket-tak-

er, struck three telling blows

in nine testing overs for Dur-ham, who reduced Worcester-

shire to 39 for four at New

contention.

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Left-arm specialists

enjoy day of havoc

By Geoffrey Wheeler

ALAN MULLALLY has done Road where the championship

out for 240.

not regard their cause as hopeless, for they took five more wickets before the end of a remarkable day.

The College pitch was routincly referred to the Test and County Cricket Board, automatic procedure when upwards of 15 wickets fall on an opening day, but the surface was not the villain of the piece. Its bounce was true and less steep than of recent years. The ball did nut move off the scam. The truth is that these sides bowl with considerably more

skill and sense than they bat. The stumps were hil only once and the eight leg-before dismissals were a result of swing, obtained notably by Mike Smith, or of bairing misjudgments. There were plenty of these claiming responsibility for the four slip catches unerringly and acrobaocally taken by Phil Simmons as Gloucestershire

tailenders had been bowled

Maintaining the left-arm

theme was Brendon Julian,

the Australian, who took four

wickets in 12 balls for Surrey

at Guildford where Sussex,

with one wicket left, need two

The bat ruled at Old

Trafford, where Jason Gallian

scored an unbeaten 178 of

Lancashire's 334 for two

against Derbyshire, who

made a good start when Dominic Cork sent back Mike

Atherton scoreless.

runs to avoid following on.

why they have earned only one batting bonus point since May.

It has recently been Vince Wells's habit to gorge himself with double-centuries but a full-length inswinger from Smith cut him off 195 short of his optimum. He could hardly have expected to have another innings before the close, and to be out the same way, as he watched Ben Smith and Dar-ren Maddy showing what could be achieved on this pitch.

> The second wicket had put on 72 when Walsh recalled Smith just before lunch. The day was never the same again. His second ball found Maddy on the back foot, trapped in front, and when Simmons offered no stroke, three balls later, the finger of Barry Dudleston, an umpire who coincidentally played for both these counties, was raised for a third time.

Walsh, who had arrived back from a selection meeting in the Caribbean only yesterday morning, dismissed Whitaker in the first over of the afternoon and, apart from some brief resistance for the eighth wicket, the rest was a procession. Mike Smith, who swings the ball far more than Alan Mullally, though at gentler pace, finished with six for 55; his namesake, Ben, batted through all but two overs of the innings for an unbeaten and almost untroubled 68. He must have wondered what was happening around him.

Leicestershire's title challenge is based on the hostility of Mullally and David Millins and they responded tenacious-ly, sharing four wickets for 26. Gloucestershire have nobody to retrench amid such chaos and their batting was an embarrassment.

South Africa A gained the So too, was the over-rate of opening first-class victory of both teams, which left 17 overs their tour by beat Glamorgan still to be bowled when Leicesby an innings and 44 runs inside two days. Kallis and tershire began their second innings at 6.20pm. With Klusener each took four wick-Walsh and Smith fired up, it ets in the Glamorgan first was more of the same, baffling innings and, when they fol-lowed on, Paul Adams nipped story, the casualties including Simmons for a collector's through the middle order. piece, first-day "pair".

Bill Athey hooks Brendon Julian, Surrey's Australian pace bowler, during Sussex's first innings in their county championship match at Guildford yesterday

Warwickshire scent revival

BY SIMON WILDE

EDGBASTON (second day of three): The Pakistanis, with two second-innings wickets in hand, are 134 runs ahead of Warwielshire

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WARWICKSHIRE'S course has not run smooth this season, but that has only hardened the club's resolve to prove it is not, as some have suggested, a spent force. The players exude a fierce determination to not give up their championship title without a fight and another possibility to restore their reputation is now open to them - a resounding defeat of the Pakistan touring team today.

It would be a notable scalp. The Pakistanis are unbeaten on tour and have not, indeed, lost to a county in a first-class match since the opening fixture of their last visit, in 1992, when an unexpected secondinnings collapse allowed Worcestershire to complete a five-wicket win.

A similarly surprising col-Mujtaba, who put on 83, few lapse occurred at Edgbaston others showed any applicayesterday, when the Paki-stanis, 13 behind on first tion. Moin Khan was largely blameless, brilliantly caught innings, lost seven wickets in a freneoc final session, the two by the diving Ostler.

Their only other hope is Mushtaq Ahmed, their wonspinners, Smith and Giles, claiming three victims each. derful leg spinner, who yester-For a team without three day equalled his best figures first-team regulars, the £7,500 in England of seven for 91. that victory would bring War-However, despite the success wickshire would be a prize of the spinners, the pitch is indeed, even if their opponents slow and offering them little are grappling with injuries and illness, Waqar Younis rested his hamstring by stayhelp. Mushtaq took two wickets in 19 overs from the pavilion end before switching ing off the field; Salim Malik ends and, there finding greatwas troubled by dizziness in er bounce, polished off a pliant tail with five wickets in 28 the afternoon and returned to give another bewilderingly balls.

frenzied display with the bat; This intervention was urand Saeed Anwar was sent gently required as Warwickaway for blood tests after a shire's famous fighting spirit, bout of vomiting. If the Pakistanis are to which has been seen less often of late, was well to the fore escape defeat today, they may during a rousing sixth-wicket stand of 142 between Penney need Saeed, who came in at No 8. to lead a rearguard action with the tail. Apart and Brown, whose 76 was studded with 12 fours and two from Ijaz Ahmed and Asif sixes.

Yorkshire **Court case** foiled as means an James and eventful Keech match for take root BY JACK BAILEY

HARROGATE (first day of four: Hampshire won toss): Yorkshire, with all first-innings wickets in hand, are 190 runs behind Hampshire

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ALMOST a full house at St George's saw the gods continue to smile on Kevan James. Nothing like the four wickets in four balls and a century in the same match against the Indians, but a brave innings of 71, spread over nearly four hours of dogged resistance. with more than a fair share of mistimed strokes and edges.

James beld Hampshire together, as it were, with bits of knotted string. He survived only one real chance when he was dropped at second slip off Gough, when 25, but he came close any number of times.

If James had not held on and if Manhew Keech had not batted confidently during a partnership of 110 for the fifth wicket, Yorksbire would be sitting pretty. They did not do badly to limit Hampshire to 266, but they could count themselves unlucky not to have taken five wickets before lunch, so frequently was the bat passed or the ball edged.

On a pitch full of earlymorning bounce, John Stephenson unleashed some handsome strokes after losing Laney and before playing on to Stemp; Robin Smith faced only five balls, including two absolute beauties from White, one of which went clean through him, the other, a yorker, catching him plumb in front.

Had Keech not been run out in the last over before tea. beaten by Googh's long flat throw, Hampshire might have got clear away. Keech is currently occupying the float-ing place in the Hampshire line-up, previously occupied by White and Whitaker. In Hampshire's last championship match, he made the first century of his career and oow his 63 came from only 75 balls with 12 fours, meaty and mostly intentional.

With his dismissal, though, the odds shifted Yorkshire's way. Hampshire's last five wickets yielded only 38 runs and Vaughan and Moxon commanded the scene as they batted out the evening.

Emburey By PAT GIBSON NORTHAMPTON (first day of four: Middlesex won tossj: Northamptonshire, with five first-innings wickets in

hand, are 65 runs behind

Middlesex. IT IS a shame that John Emburey was unable to bat through until the close because he might otherwise have turned up in the witness box at the High Court this ntorning carrying his bat and wearing his gloves, pads and helmet

Emburey was always going to be a central figure in this match between the county he served for 23 years and the one he joined as player-coach this season, but no one could have envisaged the circumstances which led to him bowling only 4.1 overs and batting at No 3.

The bizarre chain of events began 10 minutes before the start when Emburey, already subpoenaed as a witness in lan Botham's libel action against Imran Khan, received a phone call summoning him 10 the High Court. Four hours later he was able to take the field, having been told that he would not be needed unol today.

One over after that he was bowling, with special permis-sion from Lord's because of the "wholly exceptional" situation, picking up Middlesex's last two wickets and suggesting that they would have been in even deeper trouble if he had been there all day.

As it was, they were all out for 157, with their batting. weakened by the absence of the injured Ramprakash, undermined by some high-class left-arm seam bowling from Taylor, who took five for 36. Within an over of Middlesex

being out, Emburey was in action again as Northamptonshire, their own batting unsettled by the need for him to get his innings over and by the loss of Warren - who had broken his right thumb keeping wicket - ran into the same kind of problems against a former seam attack.

They finished on 92 for five which meant that 15 wickets had fallen in the day, and questions were bound to be asked about the pitch.

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	TESTERDAY SA	TOHEBUARDS					~
ettey's Challenge Series	O L Meddy low b Smith	NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings	Surrey v Sussex	C		Variation Variation	TT CITIERS
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DGBASTON (second day of three) the	P V Summons low b Smith	JEEmburey cand b Hewiti	with one first-innings wicket in hend, are 151 runs behind Surrey	§2-31			
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mano, are 134 runs anceu ur uwickshire	G J Parsons c Wright b Lewis	K M Curran not out	O J Bickneil c Moores b Law				
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ver 131, inzemem-ul-Hag 51) Second Innings	Extras (0 5, 10 10, w 1, no 16) 32	Total (5 whts, 37 overs)	G P Thorpe c Moores b Jarvis			CHESS CORRESPONDENT	44 Rc4 Rxd5
umr Sohall c Brown b Alves	Total (58 overs)	J Boswell to bat.	A J Hollicaka c Athey b Lewry	Last week we discussed the value	ues needed for a jump response to		45 Rxc3 Rxa5 46 h4 Rh5
Ahmed st Burns b Smith	86, 6-114, 7-120, 9-136, 9-156.	FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-10, 3-21, 4-25, 5-53.	a P Julian c Moores b Lewry	a take-out double. If you are to	o strong for such a response, you he opponent's suit. This bid asks	Unusual defence	47 Rh3 b5
mam-ul-Had low b Giles4	BOWLING Watsh 16-3-42-1; Smith 18-3- 55-6; Lewas 9-5-19-2; Alleyne 11-3-23-1;	POWI ING: Fraser 9-4-15-1: Fey 11-3-32-2:	M P Bickneit b Jarvis	your partner to hid his best sui	L. You are expected to bid again,	In the international tournament at	48 Kg2 Kb6
m Malik e Burns b Smith	8a1 4-2-5-0.	BOWLING: Fraser 9-4-15-1; Fay 11-3-32-2; Johnson 5-0-16-1; Hewitt 6-2-13-1; Weekes 3-2-4-0; Tutnell 3-1-9-0.	R M Pearson b Salisbury		n if you raise his suil or bid Two	Dortmund Michael Adams, of	49 K/3 a5
niaq Ahmed b Giles 6 ad Anwar not out	Second Innings V J Wells for o Smith	Bonus pointa. Northempionshire 4 Middle-	Total		ples after a double of One Heart:	Great Britain, chose an unusual	50 Ke2 b4 51 Kd2 Kb5
ur Renman c Weich b Albea 1	V J Weils (bw o Smith O L Maddy c Symonds b Walsh	sex 2	Score el 120 overs: 355-9	() ±QJ7	(II) ≜ AK84	defence against Veselin Topalov, the Bulgarian grandmaster. In	52 Kc2 84
ar Younis notout	A Habib low b Walsh 4	Umpires M J Kitchen and K J Lyons	FALL OF WICKETS' 1-99, 2-123, 3-251, 4- 251, 5-270, 6-285, 7-285, 6-300, 9-320.	₩A753	¥A 1085	recent tournaments, Topalov's	53 Kb2 R15
(8 whis)	P V Symmons low b Smith	Wareestershire v Durham	BOWLING: Janis 28-7-82-4; Lewry 22-3- 64-2; Lew 26-5-85-2; Galdóna 14-2-65-0; Lenham 4-1-17-0; Salisbury 32-2-10-85-2; Greenfield 8-3-13-0	♦ K 10 3 ♦ Q 7 6	♦Q75 \$±J5	form has been outstanding, so it	54 h5 a3+ 55 Kb1 Pt1+
LOF WICKETS 1-6, 2-89, 3-100, 4-106,	A R K Pierson not out	WORCESTER (first day of lour; Durham won toss): Worcestenshire, with six first-	Lenham 4-1-17-0; Salisbury 32.2-10-85-2;		ues for Two No-trumps, but, for	was a superb achievement by Adams 10 defeat him with Black.	55 Kb1 Rt1+ 56 Ka2 Ka4
06, 6-117, 7-121, 8-141 WLING Altree 9-0-32-2, Munion 7-2-17-	Total (5 wids)	innings wickets in hand, are 201 runs		that action, you would prefer	r a second heart stopper. The	White Veselin Topalov	57 Rh4 Rt2+
les 23-12-37-3; Smith 20-5-56-3.	FALL OF WICKETS: 1-37, 2-39, 3-44, 4-48.	behind Durham	SUSSEX: First Innings C W J Athev tow b M P Bicknell		d Two Hearts, your partner will	Black: Michael Adams	58 Ka1 a2
WARWICKSHIRE: Fusi Innings	5-62 BOWLING: Welsh 8-2-28-2: Smith 7-0-40-2;	DURHAM: First tionings S L Campbell c Moody b Lampiti43	N J Lenham c Lewis b M P Bickneli 51	bid Two Spades and now you c	an try Two No-trumps. This will	Dortmund, July 1996	59 h6 Ka3
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A Munton not out	TR C Russell c Noon b Simmons	J Wood c Hick b Lampiti	Total (9 wids, 73.2 overs)	heart values suggest that Three	No-trumps would be better than	5 Cxd3 g6 6 Nc3 Bg7 7 Cd1 c5	
Altree b Mushtaq	A M Smoth c Simmons b Parsons 0	Extras (b 3, w 2, no 22)	E S H Giddins to bat.	a 4-3 spade fit. Cue-bid Two He	arts. If partner bids Two Spades,	7 Od1 c5 8 d5 Bxc3+	72. 15
310	J Lewis b Multally	Total (84.2 overs)	FALL OF WICKETS 1-1, 2-124, 3-150, 4- 163, 5-169, 9-170, 7-175, 8-258, 9-260.		thing else, try Three No-trumps.	9 bxc3 Ngf6	4 22 24 24
LOF WICKETS, 1-4, 2-69, 3-117, 4-121.	*C A Walsh not out	FALL OF WICKETS: 1-61, 2-79, 3-81, 4-91, 5-116, 8-186, 7-188, 8-183, 9-233.	BOWLING: Lewis 17-4-57-0; M P Bicknell 17-4-45-2; Julian 13-0-41-4; Hollooke 15-1- 48-1; Rearson 9-1-52-0; O J Bicknell 2.2-1- 2-2.	(111) + 5	(Iv) +-	10 13 Oa5	a 😂 📑 🚺 🙀
5, 6-267, 7-282, 8-297, 9-310 MLING Wager Younis 3-1-8-0;	Total (27 overs)	BOWLING Shertvar 11-3-46-0; Ellis 12-0-	48-1; Rearson 9-1-52-0; O J Bicknell 2.2-1-	₩6765	¥652 ♦ A K 1065	11 Ob3 0-0-0 12 Be2 Rdg8	2 + 40 10 21 207
hammad Akram 14-2-64-1. Ala-ur-	25 6 35 7-43 8-43 9-60	38-0; Moody 20-6-39-3; Lampiti 18.2-1-57- 4; Elinoworth 16-5-39-2; Sotanid 1-0-2-0;	2-2. Bonus points: Surray 6 Sussex 6	+A4 +AKJ 1064	+AQ974	12 Be2 Rdg8 13 Rb1 Qc7	
man 16-3-63-2; Mushtao Ahmed 28-6- 7, Aamir Schall 15-3-73-0	BOWLING: Millins 8-3-14-2, Mullally 8-4-16- 3, Simmons 5-0-19-2; Parsons 8-1-20-2	Church 6-3-16-1.	Umpires: R Patmor and B Leadbaster.		onger and you have genuine slam	14 Be3 Kb8	
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onnty champinnship		G A Hick not out	Glamorgan v Sonth Africa A	laydown if partner has as little		16 Rfb1 Rb6	Jan Timman, the Dutch grand-
Essex v Nottinghamshire	Lancashire v Derbyshire	K R Spining low b Brown	CARDIFF (second day of three): South	≜ A74 <u>3</u> ♥3	♦KQ106 \$Q873	19 Kh1 h5	master, emerged from his recent doldrums to share first prize in the
	OLD TRAFFORD (first day of four, Lan- ceshira won (Jass) Lancashira have scored	V S Solania not Out	Aines A bear Glamorgain by an innings and	Start with a cue-bid of Two H	earts. Partner will probably bid	20 Qd2 g4 21 Qc2 gxt3	Dutch championship in Amster-
gnamshine won tossi Essan, with six first- ings wickets in hand, are 137 runs ahead	cashire won (ass) Lancashire have scored 334 (or two wickets against Derbyshire LANCASHIRE: First innings	Total (4 wids, 18 overs)	44 runs SOUTH AFRICA A: First Immas 346 (D N		ontinue with Three Clubs, forcing	21 Qc2 gxt3 22 gxt3 Ne5	dam with Ivan Sokolov, the former
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CYCLING **Tour follows** Voskamp into France

BY PETER BRYAN

for overall honours in the Tour de France staged a go-slow yesterday. It was to be expected. Indeed, it was strongly in the tradition of the great

The previous day had been hard fought to establish what is probably the final pecking order. Now, recrossing the Pyrenees from Spain after Wednesday's cruel north-tosouth journey, which confirmed Bjarne Riis in the race leader's yellow jersey, the lesser lights were thrown the crumb of a possible stage victory - always provided, of course, that they did not offer an eventual serious challenge to the overall standings. Thus, Bart Voskamp's name goes into the record books as the winner of the not-100-demanding eighteenth stage from Pamplona to Hendaye. the French resort alongside the Atlantic, 154 kilometres distant.

Behind him, Riis sat comfortably alongside his likely rivals with whom he, seemingly, had come to a gentleman's agreement that their pace would be tempered by the ability of a 14-strong leading group that formed before the final mountain climb of Otxondo (107 kilometres from the finish) as the race left Spain. Christian Salvato, of Italy, was first over the summit, which was followed by a by-and-large steady descent to the finish. At that point the main pack was

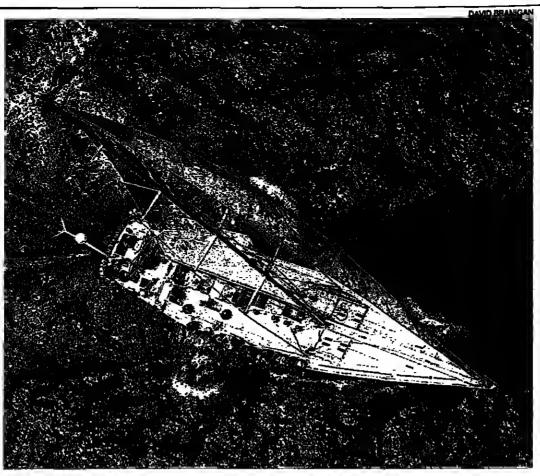
content to pedal along without aggression. They had done their

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THE top ten riders in contention mental arithmetic anti knew that none of the significant positions was endangered. Up ahead, the pace-setters, spurred on by the thought of a stage success, steadily drew clear and what had once been a modest advantage of four minutes began to increase, eventually

reaching double figures. Christian Henn, of Rils's Telekom team, made the move that decided the result and split the leaders. He attacked and went clear, but was soon joined by Voskamp. Five kilometres from the line, the pair, working well together to maintain their lead, were losec ahead of three pursuers and, during the remaining kilometres, increased that advantage. On the final run-in, Voskamp proved the stronger sprinter, winning by 2sec. The remnants of the leading

group came in well spread out, but never in danger of being caught by the relaxed peloton about 15 min-utes behind. They appeared content to conserve their energies not only for today's run to Bordeaux, but also with Saturday's individual time-trial in mind, the result of which should make Sunday's stage a pleasant promenade into Paris for most of the survivors, if not Miguel Indurain, normally the time-triallist supreme. A poor performance on the road from Bordeaux to Saint Emilion will be enough to persuade the ailing Spaniard to miss the Olympic Games and go on holiday instead.



SAIL POWER; Sorcery, the American-owned maxi, goes to windward in yesterday's second race at Ford Cork Week, which she won in the first light airs of the regatta. The 83-footer had earlier retired from the first race in Class 0 after one of her 26-strong crew was flipped overboard by a running spinnaker sheet (Edward Gorman

Paddy O'Brien, the skipper, managed to turn the yacht round, but was unable to pick up the crewman because of the large number of boats racing close-by. The sailor was eventually recovered, uninjured, by an inflatable rescue boat, obliging Sorcery to retire. The race was won by Jocelyn Waller's Bashford-Howison 41, Silk 2, the overall leader in the class, from Nigel Bramwell's BH 41. Hawk, in secood,

Meanwhile, the battle for the Slgma 33

leading boats tackled the uncertainties of light airs sailing, but managed to hang on to their overall supremacy. The 73-strong fleet were set Olympic-style courses and went out with Simon Pender, on St Joan, just ahead of their fellow Clyde-based boat, Phoenix, owned by John and Hillary Connelly.

In the first race, the Connellys took their second win, while Pender finisbed in 36th after crossing the start line early and having to go back. In the second race, however, the Sonata-class national champion fought back to finish second behind Gavin Watson's, Rupert, while the Connellys finished fourth.

National championship intensified as the two

With a discard now coming into force, Pender remains in the lead with 14.50pts from the Connellys in second on 17.50pts.

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New legal threat emerges for RFU

RUGBY UNION

By David Hands, rugby correspondent

FRUSTRATED debenture-holders that the RFU has on the West at Twickenham are contemplating legal action if the Rugby Football Union's (RFU) meeting with other home unions' leaders next Tuesday does not produce a resolution to England's threatened expulsion from the five nations' champion-

ship. About 10,000 debenture-holders have recently received forms from the RFU to encourage early applications for the forthcoming season. but the possible loss of five nations' matches - the consequence of the controversial broadcasting agreement between the union and BSkyB, the satellite television company (which is part-owned by News International, owners of The Times) - has angered some.

"There is no way I bought a product just to watch the grass grow," Dennis Sobey, who manages his own training company and is a vice-president at Old Beccehamians, said yesterday. Sobey, 49, paid nearly £5,000 for his ten-year debenture in 1990, which entitles him to a guaranteed seat in the middle tier of the East Stand at significant occasions at Twickenham.

"I believe that what the RFU has done is illegal, without giving us an option," Sobey said. "If you have paid for a service and it's withdrawn, you are entitled to complain, to an ombudsman or to the courts," He has consulted other debenture-holders, occupants of the East Stand, whose feelings mirror his own.

"They are playing with our money at a time when they are short of pennies themselves and it's totally unacceptable." Sobey added, referring to the £34 million debt

Stand. "Depending upon what happens on Tuesday, I will take legal advice to see where we all stand." Richard Field, the RFU marketBHB det

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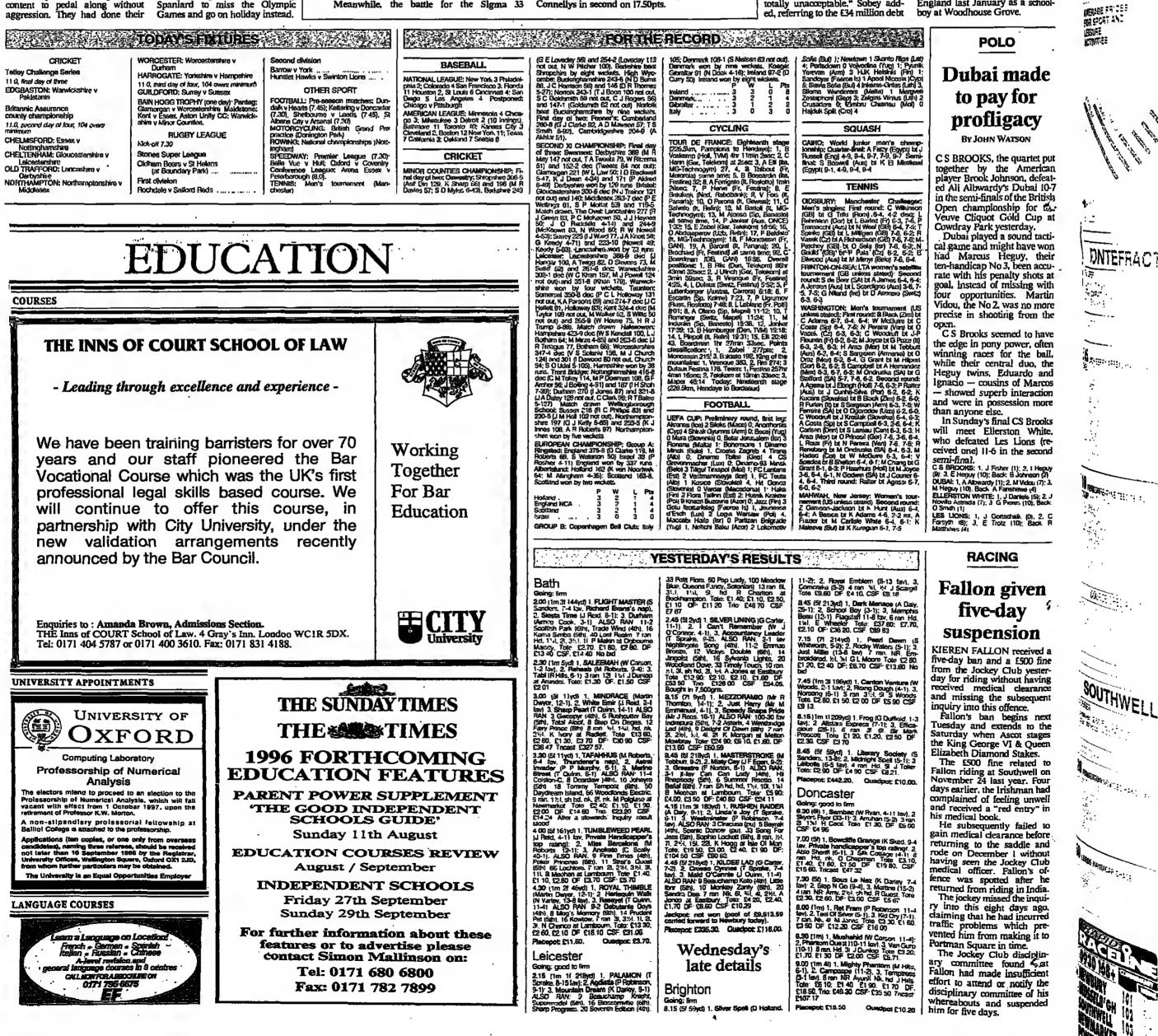
ing director, while sympathetic over debenture-holders' concerns. stressed that so far only a handful of protests had been received. Many are waiting to see what the outcome of the negotiations is and we feel there is cause for optimism, that there will be a five nations' championship," he said.

Field pointed out that it is not the RFU that has withdrawn from the championship and that there is no warranty on the debentures concerning the number or frequency of matches. Next season's schedule offers 19 opportunities at Twicken-ham for holders, ten of them big representative occasions, compared with 13 and seven only two seasons ago.

South Africa may go into tomorrow's tri-nations' international in Christchurch as holders of the World Cup, but, in the eyes of the world, their hosts have already overtaken them in precedence. New Zealand's dismissal of Australia a fortnight ago was such that they indicated a new plateau in the game had been reached, of which they are the only occupants. It will be the first meeting between the two countries since the extra-time final of the World Cup last June,

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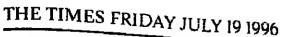
which South Africa won 15-12. Paul Sampson, having completed his formal academic education in Yorkshire, will continue his rugby education with Wasps. Sampson. 19, a wing, trained with England last January as a schoolboy at Woodhouse Grove.



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RACING: HOME SECRETARY AGREES TO FORMATION OF ADVISORY GROUP FOR INDUSTRY DISCUSSIONS BHB denied opportunity to run Tote

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BY RICHARD EVANS, RACING CORRESPONDENT

RACING has been thwarted in its cherished ambition to take over the running of the Tote hut gained an unexpected "sweetener" involving regular meetings with the Home Seeretary to discuss the sport's problems and future. As foreshadowed in The

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Times in May, Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, vesterday announced the pool betting organisation will not be transferred to the British Horseracing Board (BHB) because of a scries of complex issues - including the threat of the Tote being effectively dismembered by losing its exclusive pool betting licence. Lord Wyan of Weeford, chairman of the Tote since 1976, will retire next April and his £100,000 a year job will be advertised in the next two months. Racing and bookmaking interests will be consulted over the appointment of a specessor by Howard viewever, the surprise element in a Commons' written

answer involved Howard accepting a proposal from Lord Wakeham, the BHB chairnian, to select a small horse racing advisory group. "who will meet with me from time to time to discuss the general state of, and key issues affecting, the horse racing industry. The group will compli-

ment, not replace, the established arrangements for regular communication beween government and the asset to a private body such as Industry Lord Wakeham said vester-

September. There seemed to be a strong case for including a bookmaking representative. Home Office ufficials have been reviewing options for the

finure of the Tote since Fehruary 1995, but Howard said: Those options which involve changing the existing statutory framework might put at

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: CLIFTON FOX (7.55 Newmarkei) Next best: Young Duke (5.30 Newbury)

Thundaror selected the list five winners at Bath yesterday including Mindrate (12-1)

risk the contribution which the Tote makes to racing. 1 have concluded that, pending further work on these issues, I should end the uncertainty surmunding the future of the Tote by retaining the statutory framework for the present. He continued: "In reaching this conclusion. I have had

regard to the wish of the BHB to take on responsibility for the Tote. However, while it is

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the BHB raises complex issues which are unlikely to be

> "In particular, it would be contentious to vest the Tote in a private body without competitive tender: it might not be possible to keep the Tote's exclusive licence and the fixed odds business might have to be removed from the Tote." Mr Timothy Kirkhope, the Home Office minister respon-

sible for gambling, said: "We didn't want to end up with a situation where the Tote was dismembered or affected in an adverse way because we appreciate it contributes in a

large way to racing." Howard said the new Tote

some disappointment that the

BHB's ambilion to take responsibility for the Tote will nnt be realised for the time being, racing will, I an sure, recognise the wisdom of not risking the damage to the Tote and it's contribution to racing which, on the basis of analysis to date, could arise from any

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chairman would be required to support racing and conduct a wide-ranging review of the Tote's operations. Although the government would wish to return to the Tote's status in the future, Kirkhope indicated that could be several years down the road. Lord Wakeham added: "While there will inevitably be

the representative body of racing transfer of a public change in the Tote's status." Wakeham will announce membership of new advisory group in September BETTING 14 Apres - Paratament, 7-2 Star Of Dical, 9-2 Hord To France, 8-1 Bioliant Red 10-1 Warrang Tene, 12-1 Entry adde, 50-1 Fandral War Racing makes appeal in value stakes 1995: ALLEMANDE 3-8-8 G Hind | 16-1) J Gosden 10 au **AVERAGE PRICES** FORM FOCUS OR SPORT AND LEISURE ACTIVITIES BY RICHARD EVANS Just why non-racegoers think the Britain's 59 racecourses will be supsport is costly is not clear. It may be due plied with the data and encouraged to to the impression gained by watching A DAY at the races offers better value for contact local newspapers and radio to prestigious meetings such as Royal Ascot or Goodwood on television, but show how racing offers a value for money than watching a decent game of **3.30** CHATTIS HILL MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES football or cricket - and is quarter the money day oot compared to other price of going to a show in London or until now little attempt has been made to leisure pursuits in the area. (2-Y-0: £3,493; 5f 34vd) (5 runners ofligan seeing the British Grand Prix. correct the misconception. The BHB-RCA study included a direct Io fact, the cost of going racing is well "The findings in our survey show that comparison between the cost of going 303 304 below midway in a league table of racing competes favourably at all levels racing and attending a football match in average prices for sport and leisure with other leisure activities, and that is a cities which offer both sports. At 305 message we have got to get across. Morag Gray of the RCA said yesterday. activities, produced by the British Horseracing Board (BHB) and Race-course Association (RCA). Newcastle, Nottingham and Exeter av-BETTING: 5-4 Chine Micole, 5-2 Maylianer, 4-1 Gaps, 9-2 Place Queen, 14-1 Song OI Shya erage admission fees for racing are well below those charged for football. 1995. MARJAANA 8-11 W Carson (4-7 tav) P Walwyn 7 rae "Until now we have not taken all the FORM FOCUS opportunities to tell people about racing's value for moocy. For example, The conclusions may not surprise The cost of annual membership at OUEEN (basied Apr 11, cost 13,000prc), By Lahit, ball-scher un 70/m invente wanner Osabir; dan 1 H back dowr fi ba a juwenich CHLOE NCOLE (Feb 9), By Personal Flag, sleter to 1 m 21 www.et an France and esably winning Feech maker, dan 51-111 France and esably winning Feech maker, dan 51-111 Wanner Kingdom Phacess, dan 61 winner No soluctur racecourses varies from £185 charged by most racegoers - a significant majority believe racing is good value - but they will come as a sbock to non-racegoers in most cases children can go free. We Newmarket and Ayr to £37 at Faken-City . have discovered that is not as widely ham. The average cost per meeting for Prices beesd on two adults plus two childres under 16 and 4 burgurs/sandwches and two pints of beet BHB/BC who perceive racing to be "expensive". known as it should be." annual members is just £3.64. 4.00 white Horse Fillies Handicap MUSSELBURGH 7.40 ANTONIA DEUTERS HANDICAP PONTEFRACT **NEWMARKET**

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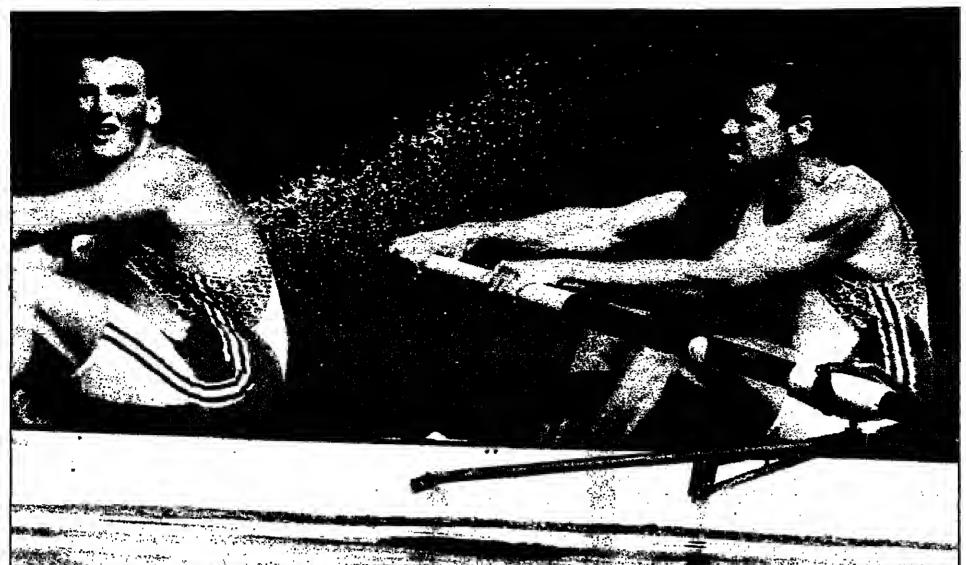
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OLYMPIC GAMES: REDGRAVE AND PINSENT'S DAUNTING DOUBLE ACT CAN PROVIDE BRITAIN WITH A SINGULAR MOMENT TO SAVOUR Body of water forced to go against the flow



Pinsent, left, and Redgrave will be aiming to rekindle the magic of their Barcelona performance when they compete at Lake Lanier next week. Photograph: Simon Bruty

Heartbreakers feel pulse of victory

FROM DAVIO MILLER IN ATLANTA

THE builder's son and the parson's son, one nine years older than the other, one dyslexic and the other an Oxford graduate. One moody, driven, and deeply introspective; the other respectful of his unique colleague, yet a catalytic harmoniser. Together, brilliant. Physically beautiful. Technically, near perfect. Unbeatable,

Steve Redgrave and Matthew Pinsent can, alone, make the centenary Olympic Games memorable for Britain. They bring to rowing what Lasse Viren, of Finland, did to running. Endurance plus a devastating finish. The dedreaming of winning Olympic fence of their coxless pairs title gold all winter. Let's take their

in the 2km race. In the past Redgrave and Pinsent four years they have trained the equivalent of 30 hours for each stroke. There are seven minutely-synchronised phases to one stroke. In unison, the massive power of two men is concentrated, funnelled, delivered and released through two small blades as though it came from one motor. There shouldn't be a single stroke not thought out," Redgrave said. Never mind that their heartrates soar beyond 160 as they near the finish About to row the first race of the season this year, in Italy. against most of their expected rivals in Atlanta, Redgrave

was the performance of the Games, Their target for next Saturday is to go four seconds faster. For no reward other than the grant and sponsorship that bring in upwards ôf £30,000 year, much of murmured to Pinsent, sitting

it absorbed in training and travelling expenses, they have continued their search for flawless balance and rhythm under stress. So focused has

know," Pinsent said, be easier with a gold medal in your hand." Of course they contemplate.

1990. With Andy Holmes, Redgrave had won the coxless pairs in Seoul two years before, while Pinsent was still a junior world championship been their monk-like devotion gold medal-winner. In the winter of 1989, Redgrave's new to the cause, they have not paused to think how they will partner, Simon Berestord,

was injured and the merger with Pinsent, Redgrave re-flects, "was a natural". handle life after Atlanta. "The one

Their harmony surprised thing we do even rowing acquaintances, the more so when Jürgen is that it will Grobler, their coach, switched Redgrave to the back of the boat. Could he, difficult and, in many ways, a loner, accept this?

"I think we're quite good at communicating," Pinsent might lose, but it is never said, perhaps overlooking that a possibility his articulate manner helps make this possible. "We pick that they out each other's moods, we They came together in compete with each other [in training schedules, in strength trials] but it never spills over into something you can't leave at the [locker room] door. There are no grudges." Redgrave, reluctant to articu-

that Redgrave can read Pinsent's moment-by-moment reaction merely by looking at his back. In the extremes of fatigue that rowers experience, they feel no pain. If there is pain in a race, then they know something is wrong. At the conclusion of heats and semifinals, they never show elation or weariness: that would reveal to rivals that they were relieved, or drained. Heartbreakers indeed.

They have that pure, absolute ambition of the greatest sports performers, such as Matthews or Hutton or Coe: to define themselves by their achievements. Should any commercial reward come their way, it will be nice but coincidental. "We train each day till we know we have done

Y ou hear a lot about "sacrifice" at the Olym-pics. I am not happy with the term: you can't really SIMON BARNES sacrifice something for your self, can you? But it is true that elite athletes have chosen not to live like the rest of us. They have done so in order not to be like the rest of us. They do not even look like the rest of us. The best place to understand that is at the pool.

since the athletes are more or less naked in front of you. William Burroughs called the human body "the soft machine": watching the swimmers, you can see that be was right about machine, but wrong about soft.

What is it that these people. supreme athletes to a man, to a woman have - no, not sacrificed - but anyway done to get like this? And what parts of normal life have they given up? Tom Dolan bas

given up breathing. A bit extreme, that. Dolan stands oft oin and is a lean. pared-down 12st 12b, including earring and goatee. And he suffers from asthma: so badly that twice he has passed out in the pool. This is a fairly dangerous place to choose for passing out. "I went under. Grabbed a lane-rope. Felt really out of it. Then I got out and sat in a chair, That's when it really came on," he said.

Dolan also has a congenitally narrow windpipe. It is 20 per cent narrower that it should be. Breathing, then, is not a straightforward busi-ness for Dolan, He never knows when a problem will flare op. Mostly it happens during practice, but that is because be spends most of his life practising; like most elite swimmers, he swims upwards of 100 kilometres a week. But it has happened in competi-tion as well. "I just try not to

worry about it," he said. A lot of swimmers have asthma; in fact, many asthmatic children go into the sport because doctors believe it is good for the condition.

But exercise can also prompt asthma attacks. For Dolan, sport is a permanent threat to his well-being. Something perpetually in ambush. loss of feeling in his arms and



Atlanta sketch

Games and has four gold medals. She is 24 and bub-bling over with excited on about her impending retiremen

"I want my shoulders to shrink so I can wear sundresses," she said. "So I won't swim for at least a year. I'm looking forward to sleeping in and not smelling of chlorine. After ten years of chlorinated water and looking at a black line - I just want to try something else." There is not an oonce of

regret in her voice, still less self-pity. She has achieved wonderful things, but they do not come without a lot of years and a lot of chlorine. It has not been a life like anybody else's. And then to the pool, where Evans, like an old lag, is counting her work-outs to retirement. "Six more! Six more!" All swimmers look extraordinary, as 1 say, but there, at a corner, are the most extraordinary of all. This is the China women's team.

They seem neither begotten nor made, rather L extruded by some ex-traordinary industrial process. So sleek and smooth: there appears to be an extra muscle, one that the rest of us don't possess, grafted onto the

front of their thighs. I saw a swimmer from Talwan walk past them, same Chinese features but a normal, if wonderfully athletic, body. Ying Shan, the biggest of the women from China, is tipped to win the 100 metres irees ie. She rose from

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at Lake Lanier tomorrow week should be one of the epic moments of the next fortnight. They are the Rolls and the Royce of the British Olympic team.

Redgrave is reaching for a record unequalled in modern times by anyone other than Al Oerter, the United States discus gold medal-winner at four Olympics. Besides three golds and one bronze, the latter in the coxed pairs in 1988, Redgrave bas six world championship golds. Pinsent has an Olympic gold and four world oties.

There are some 200 strokes

canter. The intimidating prospect for every other pair is that the two Britons can match anyone's endurance, at any strikerate, for seven-eighths of the

in front of him: "They've been

dream away." They did, at :

race and then produce a demolishing sprint over the last 250 metres. That is what they did at the

Banyoles course four years Games in Atlanta. ago in Barcelona, and it was one of the most awesome sights of the Games. While the hair's-breadth victory of the Searle brothers in the coxed pairs was the race of the Games, the crushing margin

Redgrave flies the flag

STEVEN REDGRAVE has Britain squad around the Olympic stadium, in front of been given the unique honour of carrying the Union Jack for the President of the United States, Bill Clinton, and Printhe second time, at the opening ceremony of the Olympic cess Anne. The 34-year-old coxless pairs champion, from The three-time gold medal-Marlow, who will be repeatwinning oarsman, who is favourite to collect a fourth ing the role he carried out in Barcelona four years ago, next week, with his partner, said: "This is my last Olym-Mathew Pinsent, will make pics and this is a tremendous history by leading the Great honour.'

late, a man who had left school at 16 and by the time he met his wife had hardly read a book, had been known to

throw things. Yet so huge is Redgrave's capacity for work, so unsparing his self-denial, so exceptional his rowing talent, that Pinsent felt emotionally bonded to him by admiration, if nothing else. When they won OT in 1992, they instinctively knew that they would continue to Atlanta. Together they had discovered a sporting liaison with which few are blessed. darkly.

enough." Pinsent said, as if it legs and then black-ou were a matter of clearing up paperwork at the office. They smile unresentfully at

confusion among the public about their fame. "Is the little guy with you today?" is often the question from those conpass out." fusingly referring to Johnny Herbert, the Searle's cox at Banyoles, who burst into tears the victory podium. Redgrave and Pinsent have only the Atlanta podium on their minds, but if they should that, you see. fail, then they might try again. "We'd want to do something about it." Redgrave said,

Such is the mental synchronisation in the boat condition would probably dipool for a moment's break in minish if he gave up trying to be a champion. "I am a competitive person, it doesn't matter if f can't breathe or if I

There is plenty of medication available to asthma sufferers, but most of it is banned for competitive athletes. This grieves Dolan, because he reckons he would go faster if he took them. Athletes are like

Memories appear

short for Chinese

He shares the spotlight in the United States swimming team with Janet Evans. She is now at her third Olympie

her work-out, powerful and impossibly smooth, and for a moment you wondered if she was able to breathe on land. What has she "sacrificed" to become such a person? What life has she led? But Chinese athletes operate through a veil of mystery, one pierced by occasional revelations. The diver, Fu Mingxia, did not see her parents for the three years before she became world

champion at the age of 12. Hunter S. Thompson said it: "When the going gets tough, the weird get going."

Pound survives an Fame helps Van Almsick's fortune unlikely challenge Craig Lord on whether the queen of The richest swimmers in Egerszegi was 14 when she first won the 200 metres the world have arrived in Atlanta and are ready swimming can find her golden crown

At the end was Franziska

west. The frenzy over "Franzi"

of her aquatic eminence sharpened by the chiselled features of a catwalk model

and a propensity to drama. This weekend will be the

Also in the reckoning in the

latter is Claudia Poll, a tall

Costa Rican of German extrac-tion but at the pool yesterday,

understandable, the allure

FROM DAVID MILLER

THE International Olympic Committee (IOC), it is alleged, is run by old men out of touch with sport. With the election to the executive board this week of Thomas Bach. of Germany, an Olympic fencing champion in 1976, there are now six medal-winners serving on the board.

There are two champions, Pal Schmitt, of Hungary, also in fencing, and Bach. Kevan Cosper, of Australia, on the track, and Chic Igaya, of Japan, in skiing, both won silver medals. Richard Pound, of Canada. a swimmer, and Anita DeFrantz, of the United States, in rowing, each won bronze.

On Wednesday, the IOC narrowly avoided acute embarrassment when Pound was elected vice-president by only two votes, 46-48, ahead of Ashwini Kumar, of India. If Pound, a Montreal QC, were paid for the services he ren-ders to the Olympic movement as honorary executive, it would cost several hundred thousand dollars a year. He is the negotiator who has se-cured. from television and

to capitalise on their commu sponsors, deals worth several billion dollars that make the Games secure up to 2008. Additionally, he chairs two important commissions dealing with new sources of fimore zoom lenses. nance and co-ordination of the Games. van Almsick, born in East To have rejected him would Germany but long-since blessed with the riches of the

have been absurd. The trouble is that Pound has been his own worst enemy, intolerant of fools and impatient with rank-and-file IOC members. Maybe I'm not the most charismatic," he reflected, shocked by the apparent snub from half the members.

most important of her sports The vote was a reflection of career, and her bank balance, two factors: resentment from for years to come. Between her the floor of his aloof power and an Olympic title stand the and long-term manoeuvring Chinese; first in the 100 metres by rival candidates to succeed freestyle early tomorrow, and then on Sunday, when she will line up in the 200 metres with Juan Antonio Samaranch as president, such as Dr Un Yong Kim, of South Korea, Chinese newcomers worthy of and Mario Vazquez Rana, of Mexico. Kumar, elderly and replacing Lu Bin, who was suspended for steroid abuse dignified, was no more than a pawn for Pound's attempted after finishing runner-up to the German schoolgirl at the removal. The message, howworld championships in 1994. ever. is loud and clear. There are voters out there who have to be policically courted if the IOC is to stay on course.

nist past. Amid the melee of all focus was on van Almsick, medal-chasers, coaches and cameramen at the Georgia who has attracted DM5 mil-Tech pool, it was easy to find lion (about £2.1 million) since the richest woman in the sport. winning four medals, none Just follow the line of 40 or gold, at Barcelona in 1992. Poll, practising two lanes

over. was all but ignored by the German media, a dozen of whom are employed solely to follow their star. The South American, who begins training at 4am in water measuring



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wards of her excellence.

Van Almsick, paddles strapped to her hands, trains at the Georgia Tech pool in Atlanta yesterday

backstroke title, in Seoul, and she went on to retain the ritle in Barcelona. Her mastery of 13°C, claims to have earned water is such that the element "virtually nothing from my appears to make way for her, hardly a wave to be seen as the The only European woman long purple-painted finger-nails that she has made her likely to steal van Almsick's ls Krizstina trade-mark break the surface. Egerszegi, of Hungary, who The Hungarian postponed rehas also benefited from early beginnings in a regimented state system but who now wallows in the financial re-

tirement in 1994 after defeat and the loss of her world 100 metres backstroke record to He Cihong, one of an army of Chinese debutantes.

Atlanta will be the swansong of "Eger" (which is Hungarian for mouse), who is recognisable to 98 per cent of her compatriots and who has ploughed a substantial part of her earnings into her business, The Mouschole, one of the most popular restaurants in

backstroke title, she will join Dawn Fraser in the history zan" Weissmoller in 1928 to retain the men's t00 metres freestytle otle.

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF CHINA'S Olympic officials appear to be suffering from a monumental lapse of memory the comments of Wei Jizhong, the secretary-general of the Chinese Olympic Committee, are anything to go by. Wei, who is also the deputy chief of staff for China in Atlanta, said: "Our swimmers are still being wrongly accused. The record demon-strates that Chinese swimmers have not been testing positive. It is not fair."

It is also not true, as 19 Chinese swimmers have been suspended for drug abuse since 1991, among them Lu Bin and Yang Aihua, both world champions, and all but one of the tests were for anabolic steroids.

Wei notes that Jessica Foschi, an American teenager, had tested positive and had still been allowed to compete. He failed to note that Fina, the international governing body, has suspended Foschi for two years, just as it did with the Chinese. He also linked to the Chinese experience the case of Samantha Ritey, of Australia, the world champion breast-

a substance found in a headache pill - a world away from 18 steroid tests. South Korea's only more tain biking competitor is in hospital with a broken wrist after crashing on the road leading to the venue on Wed-nesday. Lee Jin-ok, 34, fell off his bike inside the Georgia International Horse Park compound and was taken to nearby Rockdale for surgery The Mongolia team has arrived in Atlanta being dispersed over three continents. They were spill up after their scheduled flight from Peking

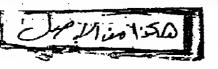
stroke swimmer. Wei failed to

note that her offence involved

was cancelled and they were obliged to take other flights. Al Oener, a four-time gold medal-winning discus throw-er, will be the last torch bearer before the Olympic flame en-ters the stadium for the openceremony in Atlanta ing tonight.

learns have registered at the Games with only five - Laos. Burma, Turkmenistan, Guin-ea-Bissau and Sudan - still 10 arrive.





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Budapest. If she retains her 200 metre

books, the Australian being the only swimmer to win an Olympic title at three Games. Lasting fame also beckons for Alexander Popov, the Rus-sian who aims to becaome the first man since Johnny "Tar-

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GOLF: HOME CROWD PROVIDES SOME PREMIUM BONDING AS TOURNAMENT FAVOURITE CELEBRATES IN STYLE

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Faldo puts the icing on birthday cakewalk

IT WAS Nick Faldo's 20th birthday yesterday, and even though he strode out to greet the day at 7.30am there were plenty of other early-risers there to help the favourite for the Open Chantpinnship light his cake. His contrades brought different gifts as he teed-off in search of his fourth Open title, and, after an unpromising start, he blew the candles out.

Fuzzy Zoeller, six years older, brought along his courtly manner and good grace, which appeal to everyhody. His deportment is as deliberate as that of Jerry Lewis in The King of Comedy, and his play was bright. True to form. he whistled a few happy junes (when he was out of Faldo's earshot) and enjoyed himself some nound in two under par had he not two-putted on the final green.

Rubert Allenby, the 25-yearold Anstralian, brought his youthful enthusiasm and a growing reputation. His 74 was part of that familiar routine for young men on the rise, the "learning process". It included a seven on the parfour 3rd, when he took a drop. The crowd that followed the three players brought their goodwill, and by the end of a round that began with a bogey on the 1st. Faldo was happy in return it. "I've never had so many

people cheering, and supporting me, so it was nice," he said. "I'm very appreciative." Faldo has not always craved, or earned, popular acclaim but when he came up the 18th fairway he was hailed as an emperor, which, in a way, he

MICHAEL HENDERSON

At Royal Lytham and St Annes

The Open has become his kingdom in the past few years and he is not about to relinquish the droit de seigneur just yer. To prove it, he signed off with a regal birdie, his fourth, to give him a threeunder-par 68. All in all it was a fair day's

work, after he had struggled initially to sink putts on the slow greens, Chance after chance went begging unol his luck began to change. "I had the chances but, in

the end, I was just pleased to play the back nine in three under par. That was pretty good," he said. For Allenby, a stick-like colt from Melbourne, the day was a mix of delight and disap-

pointment. He was a shot up after the 1st, three down after the 3rd and hit an eagle on the par-five 6th. He finished three over after saving par on the 18th, where his tee-shot sliced



So close: Faldo gives vent to his anguish as an attempted birdie putt at the 17th narrowly misses the target

into the crowd. There were times, though, when he seemed tu spend more time in the sand than Lawrence of Arabia.

Faldo had risen at 5am, a challenging hour for any clear-headed sportsman, and a bogey four at the 1st was the prelude to an hour of scrap-ping for par. He made a birdie at the 6th and came within a tissue of adding four more until a superb tee-shot on the 111h enabled him to achieve another.

With his sails nicely filled on a scorching day, Faldo was now in his element, striding

forcefully from tee to green. The crowds along the fairways picked up his mood and when he puned from 12ft at the 15th for his third birdie, there was

much whooping. Regrettably, there was also that verbal abomination. "Way to go!", from an English voice. Like the wearing of a baseball cap back to front, it is a silly American practice appropriated by the weak-minded for no necessary purpose. Otherwise, the crowd remained responsive and fair-

conditions is about the best that sport can offer, and the spectators contributed enormously to the glory of the day. By the time Faldo underscored his signature on that final green, with a 15-footer, player and crowd were thoroughly

bonded. The birthday boy said he was happy, and he goes out today handily-placed. He knows he is capable of the lower scores he feels are essential. "If the wind stays down

minded in their acclaim for there will be a lot of scores of good shots. To watch golfers as good as these in blissful four and five under, and it was important for me to get some-

That includes honorary Americans, like Faldo. He opened his presents

later, but what could he give to his fellows? A penny whistle might suit Zoeller and a bedoin's cape would, perhaps, disguise Allenby the next time he ventures into bunker territory.

As for Faldo, it is hard to please the man who already has everything. By Sunday night he might have even

Impatient attitude exacts its penalties

By JOHN HOPKINS GOLF CORRESPONDENT

WHY does Colin Montgomerie have such difficulty in the opening round of the Open Championship? Starting in 1990 at St Andrews, he has not once broken par in his first round and nor did he yesterday. He was level par as he stood on the 18th tee, two over as he walked off the 18th green. A 71, which would have been the highest acceptable score on a day when scoring was easy, became a 73 when

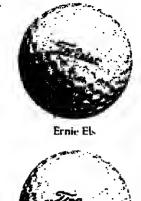
Was he unlucky or did he play badly? Both is the an-swer, as was illustrated by successive strokes at the 18th. His drive toppled into sand with its last rolation, but then he decided against a cautious explosion from a fairway bunker and paid the penalty. His ball rocketed into the revened face of the bunker, rebounded and nearly hit him, which would have been a two-stroke penairy

ti should also be noted that Monigomerie hit some magnificent drives, often on holes where Brad Faxon and David Frost. his playing partners, used irons from the tee. "He is very confident with the driv-Faxon said, a touch of er. admiration in his voice.

Monigomerie shimmered in

the heat and simmered close to boiling point throughout much of his round. As early as the 6th he was complaining to David Garland, of the PGA European Tour and the rules official accompanying his threesome, about spectators with cameras. On the 15th tee he was heard to say that the Masters "has it right. No cameras, no press". On the 17th he railed at someone: "You can hide, you've done it

now." His inability to block out actual and potential irritations is disturbing in one so good. "You wouldn't want to be near him if you were a fan with a camera," Faxon said. "It is as if he is happiest when he is telling someone off." Montgomerie was feeling frustrated for, though he had driven well, he had putted diffidently. He was short with his first putt on the 1st, 3rd, 6th, 8th, 9th and 16th holes. The longest putt he holed was three feet. One reason for this is that he did not get the ball up to the hole often enough for it to have a chance of going in. When he rolled in a sixfooter on the 10th and followed this with a magnificent fairway wood on the lith, one thought he would shed this burden of impatience. "Come on, grumpy," a fan said and momentarily he looked more cheery. It did not last long because his ball bounced into a bunker on the 12th and into a difficult position from which to play, from near the back wall. He continued to hit some good shots, his second on the loth, his second on the 17th being good examples.



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Welcoming the 19th hole with Open arms

would like to recom-mend Ansdell and Fairhaven station. It is an uncomplicated railway terminal boasting but a single

three men I did not know hit bails I could not see to a green that was just out of vision ... but by the applause accorded one player, the ooohs that met the others and the body

Clement Freud concludes his summer season with a disappointing visit to

the links of Royal Lytham and St Annes

18th green, sit next to a man with so immaculately creased off at 7.30am presented no problem; be got up at 5am. Another got the message that red trousers that be hovers to preserve their sharpness. The it was great to have so many 18th is 414 yards. In the

where close," he said, "With no breeze, and a short course, 1 think the Americans are going to be very strong this week."

platform at which the train stops on its way south to where Albert was caten by the lion: a quarter of an hour later the three-carriage diesel returns from whence it came - Preston.

The northeastern exit of Ansdell and Fairhaven station is an excellent place to be, especially if you have goodish eyesight or own binoculars. It is adjacent to the Sth green and overlooks the short 9th of Royal Lytham and St Annes. A man could stand there and get a pretty adequate idea of what goes on without the hassle of buying tickets, displaying badges and waiong for people empowered to control the ebb and flow of humanity, to direct them hither and hence, it was from this vantage point that I observed

language of all participants followed proceedings with considerable enjoyment in the company of folk who were making a day of it there. Should work harder.

Freud favours the easy way." schoolmaster Rotherham wrote in my end-of-term report many years ago. Recalling this harsh assessment of my industry, I summoned the energy to make my way along neat suburban roads to the clubhouse and media centre. Once arrived, I followed the Open Championship as the organisers intended. Once again I have failed sartorially. My trousers were long when the fashion is lo wear shorts, my shirt was a primary colour, long-steeved and tailored while all around wore T-shirts in pastel shades

and I had neither panama hat nor spiked shoes. There are a number of ways of watching championship golf:

You can occupy a seat in a stand surroonding a particular green and become hugely knowledgeable on, say, the short 5th. Take it as your subject on Mastermind, read about who did what, when, at that location in the eight previous Lytham Opens. It is a minimalist pursuit, the halfacre in your field of vision confines pleasure though in the distance is the scoreboard which tells you of players' progress around the course. Or you can select a three-

and follow them on their four-and-a-half hour percerination, learn their

TEE-OFF TIMES

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strengths and weaknesses and admire the officials who balls land on the green: plop, hold up "Quiet" and "Stand plop, plop; we applaud, apstill" signs. I expect they go home and tell their families plaud, applaud.

they are "running the Open". Refreshment points are dotted around the course: very Ordinary cold fizzy drinks. Obvious food from the consumption of which people dissuade you. Egg and sausage sandwiches, really thin white wine, heavy hog-roast baps unsuited to temperatures in the eighties. At around noon 1 diseogaged myself from the marching crowd, many of

said.

the beach with his dog.

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tune moments. It is a disease that is

characterised by what might be called Shark Syndrome, the princi-pal symptom of which consists of a

sharp decline in form followed by

severe injury to the curriculum

He has had so many setbacks in

majors, either due to his own frailties or the heroic deeds of

others, that it has become almost a

way of life. Other men's psyches

would have crumbled to dust long

before now; Norman, whatever

all, a terribly satisfactory day for

Indeed, for most of it he was

living in close proximity to ano-

nymity, if being a 6ft lin blond in a

big white hat can be called anony-

mous. He was even put in the

Ihe Australian

else, is nothing if not resilient.

whom wore Senior Citizen labels in their lapels; this is downright cruel, as if you could not tell by looking at us. I sit down overlooking the

people supporting him, shouting happy birthday. distance you see three huddles of player-and-caddie lin-There was no smile. As a performance it was ing up second shots and three

entirely dull and patronising to boot. Faldo manifests neither fluency nor warmth; The players approach the green, Faldo, Zoeller, Allendistrict surveyors' reports at housing committee meetings by, and putt to obtain respecare more fun lo witness. Were tively birdic, bogey, par. Fifteen minutes later Faldo he less than staggeringly brilliant, he would have few appears in the media centre

for his interview. "Talk us Of course, it is not over through the highs and lows of until the fat lady sings and she has yet to approach the piano. By Sunday evening, when the winner walks up your round." his inquisitor "The first I pulled a threeiron, had a good save oo three flying a five-iron; six l the final fairway to the whispers of "He's the man", some came up short, good pitch; good save on 13, holed from 200,000 spectators will have been to Royal Lytham. With 15 feet and birdied the last; the exception of those getting pleased to have played the paralytic in the sponsors' last nine in three under." tents, watching the event on television, I covy them hardly Faido speaks in a monotone, told a questioner that teeing at all.

Yet he gave the impression to spectators and playing partners alike that he was operating on a short fuse. Patience is an attribute he has yet to learn. As Faxon was to say later: "It is hard to play golf without il."

iron second shot pin-high to the left.

Apart from that, it was not stirring

to behold; just a random collection

of pars with a couple of three-putt

bogeys, from 15 and 25 feet, thrown

Corey Pavin



Costantino Rocca

Sam Torrance



To name but a few:

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Whoever is crowned Open Champion on Sunday, the winner of the ball count was a foregone conclusion.



Daly's gallop halted over closing stretch

By PATRICIA DAVIES

IT ALL started so well for John Daly, the defending champion, at Lytham yesterday but the glory. glory of being five under par after II holes became dearie, dearie with four bogeys in the last seven holes. There was a calm, cool, other-

worldly atmosphere as he. Phil Mickelson and Satoshi Higashi waited to tee off in the shade. "On the tee, John Daly," an-

nonneed lvor Robson, the starter, and that was it. The defence began without acclaim or applause because there is no room for stands or fans al Lytham's first hole, a par three of 206 yards. Daly his and, cerily, there still was not a sound because the blond bomber, who has hair at the moment, instead of a GI stubble, had missed the green.

It was the left-handed Mickelson, all silky smoothness and deliberation, who took the ininative with birdies at the 2nd and 3rd. He narrowly missed a 12-foot pun for another birdie at the 4th and his game rather misfired from there on. His second nine included four bogeys and he finished with a round



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unlikely two. The driver came out for the first time at the 490-yard 6th, where he bombed the ball over the bunker on the left, a carry of about 250 yards. "Was that the driver?" a spectator opposite the ball, asked. He was 320-odd yards from the tee but such is Daly's aura that the fan was not

birdies were poor reward.

and last par five but the rot set in

12th and his six-foot putt to save par

dropped another shol al the next

which he played via the grandstand.

A par four at the 14th was routine -

a drive that landed on the front of

the oth tee, further left than Lenin

ever was, a blind second shot over

ished to tumultuous applause.

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not hit the ball that far with an iron.

Willison 11.57: P Lawris, J Rivero (Sp), 8 Watts 12.08: D Giford, I Beker-Firsch (Aus), P Stewart (US) 12.19: N Fatdo, R Altenby (Aus), F Zoeller (US) 12.30: R McFarlane, 8 Hughes (Aus), W Maylair All he needed was a sand-wedge to the green and he was even more awesonie at the next, 553 yards of par five. The drive left him with 171 12,41: F Couples (US), M McCumber (US), P

yards to the pin and he hit a wedge. Harmington 12.52: L Wiczwood, S Jones (US), W Riley (Aus) 13.03: M James, P O'Malley (Aus), T Tolles (US) 13.14: J Parnavik (Swe), R Charles (NZ), P Jacobsen (US) 13.25: B Langer (Ger), T Kile (US), Y Kanoko (Janani Two drivers, two fairways hit; mere Healso birdied the 11th, the third

(Japan) 19.38: H Tanaka (Jopani, S Baliestaros (Sp), J Maggen (US) 19.47: B Faxon (US), O Frost (SA), C Montgometic 13.58: O Feherly, J Haaggman (Swel), D A.Weibring 11.59 when he was bunkered at the short hurtled four feet past the hole. Daly

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 1.42: G Norman (Aus), S Sincker (US), J Payno
 1.453: R Estes (US), W Westner (SA), P Eates
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 15.19: P broachurst, O Borrogo (Sp), O Love III (US)
 16.26: R Drummand, S Field, M Weich
 15.37: R Chapmari, R Lee, H Mechiai (Japan)
 15.48: Usel, F Tamaud (FH, B McColl
 15.99: D Smyth, A Lebouc (Fr), A Mechick (Swe)
 18.10: G Emergan, * S Allan (Aus), M Littor
 16.21: E Darcy, S Murphy (US), A Sherborne

bushes to the front of the green and Daly is rarely dull and his capacity to entertain and amaze make him compulsive viewing. Having started in silence, he findenotes amateur

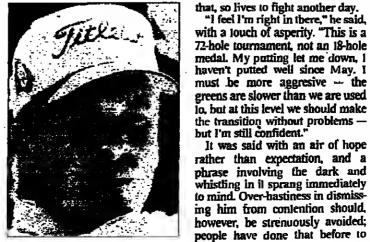
Norman fails to make storming start in opening exchanges 12-foot putt on the par-five 6th bringing him an eagle after be bad hit a good drive followed by a six-Mel Webb witnesses

IT IS a frustrating business, taking a four-mile hike in the heat of the the unusual sight of day and getting nowhere. Greg Norman forgot the way yesterday and looked thoroughly lost. Talk the Great White Shark about a good walk spoiled - for all the progress he made, be might just as well have been taking a stroll on merely treading water

At least he did not fall into the shade, in height if not in achievement, by the oft 4in Payne. Norman occasionally has days awful pit he has dug for himself in major championships; that of mak-ing haste backwards at inoppor-

like this, days when he has a distracted air about him, in the piece but oot of it. When in this mode, he hits the ball well enough, but no more, off tee and fairway, he is adequate from short range, while the most damaging part of his zame is that he cannot buy a putt for love nor money, the latter of which he has coming out of his cars.

did he sink anything worthwhile, a



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but I'm still confident." It was said with an air of hope rather than expectation, and a phrase involving the dark and whistling in il sprang immediately to mind. Over hastiness in dismissing him from contention should, however, be strenuously avoided; people have done that before to their cost.

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in for bad measure. He had his chances on the very much tougher back nine - on four holes running from the t3th, he missed by a gnat's eyebrow on the slow Lytham greens. Others in a similar situation would have cursed their lack of luck. Norman was

almost impassive; he was, in the argot of the Irish, away with the fairies. He was not downhearted after he bad signed for a 71, level par, but then he rarely is after the first

round of a major. II was not Only once on a low-key front nine possible to win the Championship yesterday, bul it was most assuredly feasible to lose it. He did not do

He was playing on this opening day with Sleve Stricker, the young American whose two US Tour victories have brought him sudden fame this season, and Jim Payne, the lean and lanky Italian Open champion from the flatlands of Lincolnshire. For a good deal of the time, Norman was oulplayed by Stricker and made to look merely human by Payne. It was not, all in

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OLYMPIC GAMES: BASKETBALL GIANT'S \$123 MILLION DEAL SIGNALS ARRIVAL OF NEW ERA IN ATLANTA

O'Neal cashes in as Dream Team returns to spotlight

THE official opening ceremo-ny for the Centennial Olympic Games is scheduled for tonight, but the true symbol of the modern Olympics was revealed yesterday. He is 7ft lin tall, weighs in at just over 300lb and his bank balance will be swelled over the next seven years by the Los Angeles Lakers to the tune of \$123 million (almost £80 million), a sum that would bankroll most Olympic nations through the next century.

Shaquille O'Neal faced the press with the 11 poorer millionaire members of Dream Team II yesterday. Half the talk was about how much it meant to them all to win Olympic gold, the other half was about how they could win Olympian-sized pots of the stuff back in the treasure trove of the National Basketball Association, known to all as, simply, the NBA. Only Shaq himself was not

playing the game. "I will be answering questions on my new contract," he announced in dark tones, "at the Reebok tent at 3pm." The Reebok tent? Oh yes. Turn left at the Coca-Cola centennial village, straight past Nike Park, leave the Swatch House on your left and there it is. The Reebok tent. If you get to the Speedo Palace, you have gone too far.

Could the timing of the deal, on the eve of what has long been labelled the Coca-Cola Games, have anything to do with O'Neal's multi-million dollar endorsement of Pepsi? Perish the thought. But the only irony comparable to the biggest deal in American sporting history heralding the start of the most overtly commercial Games in history was the sight of the one white face (John Stockton) lining up in the Dream Team in a city that was once the headquarters of the Klu-Klux Klan.

Yet, in a bizarre way, the centennial Olympic circle has

BY ANDREW LONGMORE

been neatly completed. The Dream Teamers are no different from the wealthy amateurs on whom the original Olympie spirit was founded. O'Neal can afford to adhere to the true spirit of sportsmanship and competition just as his team represent the pinnacle of many of the Olympic's more noble virtues. Hard work, excellence, fairness,

When Hakeem "the Dream" Olajuwon, the Nigerian-born centre who led the Houston Rockets to successive



NBA championships, says that Olympic gold would be the highlight of his career, there is no reason to disbelieve him. The team have donated their \$15,000 fees to the

Charles Barkley. Judging by some of the long faces and gritted teeth around him, though, O'Neal's big deal has not found universal favour with his team-mates. They appreciate the principle.

but not the figures. "Good luck to Shaq," Penny Hardaway, O'Neal's former sidekick with the Orlando Magic, said. "fi's not getting too crazy. Players are now taking full advantage of their worth and that's a great situation for them."

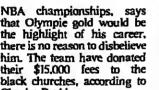
Argentina, the Americans' first opponents tomorrow night, will hope that counting dollar bills might send the team to sleep. It is their only chance. Everyone's only chance --- but there were few words of comfort from Lenny Wilkens, the superstars' head coach. "There were more legendary figures on the 1992

Hall of Fame eventually."

to change them." he said.

Then came the little matter

money in Utah.

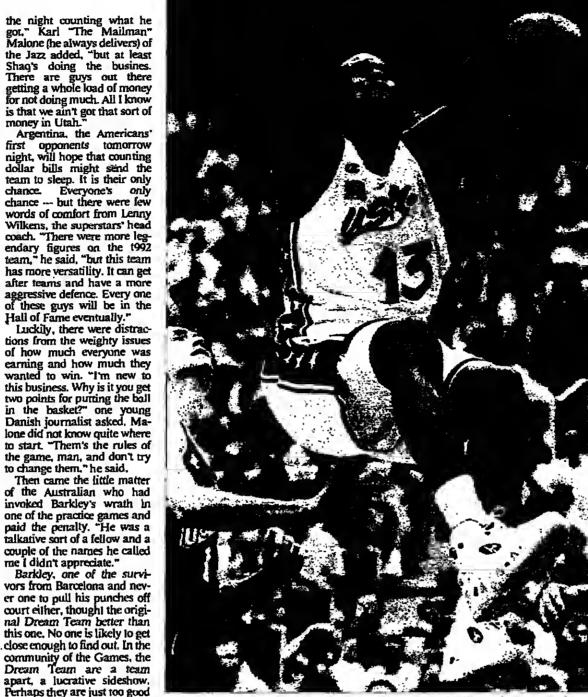


invoked Barkley's wrath in one of the practice games and paid the penalty. "He was a

talkative sort of a fellow and a couple of the names he called me I didn't appreciate." Barkley, one of the survivors from Barcelona and never one to pull his punches off court either, thought the original Dream Team better than this one. No one is likely to get close enough to find out. In the

community of the Games, the Dream Team are 2 team apart, a lucrative sideshow, Perhaps they are just too good "I'd have to spend most of for the Olympics.

Athletics Australia asked



O'Neal's brilliance is earning him a fortune and will surely carn a gold medal ...

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RADIO CHOICE Special agents called G & T

Gabbitas and Thring. Radio 4 (FM), 10am.

Born towards the end of the last century and still going strong, albeit no longer as a scholastie agency but as an educational consultancy, no longer as a scholastic agency but as an educational consultancy, Gabbitas and Thring was a powerhouse that heiped to fuel the public schoot system. If teachers were needed, Gabbitas and Thring could supply them. They had a host of future celebrities on their books; Evelyn Waugh (he immortalised them in Decline and Fall), John Betjeman (he mentioned them in Summoned by Bells), and W.H. Auden, who, in a poem, transmogrified them into Rabbit and String. The agency's coding system was eccentric. Clients were not recognised as "thorough gents" if they sported thick glasses and corduroy trousers. Kate Withers's affectionate portrait of G & T is a Friday morning treat.

A Little Discomfort io the Cause of Art. Radio 4, 9.30pm.

All of a sudden, spotlights are being trained on the Victorian photographer, Julia Margaret Cameron. The Times's Lynne Truss has written a comic novel about the Cameron years on the Isle of Wight. Now it's Kaleidoscope's turn to explore the character and work of this gifted eccentric. Few celebrated visitors to the isle did not end up in her sitter's chair. Robert Browning's pose lasted half an hour Cameron the site of the hour; Cameron slipped out during the session, leaving the poet to sit there, not moving a muscle. For this aneodote, and others in a similar humorous vein, our thanks to Lynne Truss. Peter Davalle

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Concerto, No 1); Vivaldi (Oboe Concerto in G minor, Sibelius (Romance for strings,

(FNI) / (ANI) Robin Banks 10.00 Alan Freeman 12.00 Janey Lee Graces 2.00mm Howard Pearce RADIO 3

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FROM JOHN GOODBODY IN ATLANTA

THE Australian sprinter alleged to have taken drugs. Dean Capobianco, is set to run in the Olympic Games. Athletics Australia, the governing body, has cleared Capobianco of using anabolic steroids after an inquiry in Sydney chaired by Bob Ellicott, a QC and former sports minister. The athlete had faced a four-month ban if found guilty.

John Coates, the president of the Australian Olympic Committee, said here yesterday: "We have accepted the recommendation of our lawver Simon Rofe. Dean will now be accredited and will come into the village when it suits him and his coach."

Istvan Gyulai, the general secretary of the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF), said yesterday that the world governing body was considering the case and may make a ruling on whether to allow the Australian to compete in the Games at its council meeting on July 25. Capobianco allegedly tested

positive in a meeting in Hengelo, Holland, on May 27 for stanozolol, the drug Ben Johnson took when he was stripped of his Olympie 100 metres title

in Scoul in 1988. Capobianco, who is now in hiding in the United States while continuing his training for the Games, has denied allegations that he took any banned substance. On July 4.

Ellicott to chair a doping control tribunal which met on July 16. Ellicott found that there were considerable gaps in the evidence of the chain of custody of the sample from Hengelo to the laboratory in Cologne, Germany, where the new £300,000 high-resolution mass spectrometer is being used to analyse samples of

The same mass spectrometer will be used here to test the leading four in every event plus athletes taken at random. Ellicott claims that the guidelines of the LAAF and the medical code of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) were not strictly observed when the urine specimen was taken from Holland

many European competitors.

to Germany and he has not been provided with the proper documents for the custody of the samples. Ellicott said that he should have received declarations about the custody of the samples. He said: "ln cases where athletes' whole future is in balance I do not think it is too much to expect declarations from the doping control officer, who handled

the samples, the courier and a laboratory official. This is important not only to the athlete but also to the sport. This has not been done in this case.

The case will present the LAAF with a dilemma. It should set up an appeal tribunal to hear the evidence but there will not be sufficient time to do this before the Games start

The LAAF is already battling Sprinter's life in the fast lane with another doping problem involving an Italian high umper, Antonella Bevilacqua. She tested positive for ephedpain from an Achilles tendon rine, the stimulant used by injury and it has only been Diego Maradona at the 1994 this year, when he took the Australian 200 metres title, World Cup, in two meetings in that he seemed to have recov-Italy in May. An Italian ered his old form. "It is hard; magistrate, Alfredo Montaevery day you wake up and gna, has accepted the case put by the Italian national athletics federation that the doping was unintentional. Bevilacqua says that she used a herbal medicine which contained ephedrine but the packaging on the drink did not list the stimulant as one of its contents.

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(Ubbe Concerto in G mator, Op 11 No 6); Janacak, (Madil); Mateo Albeniz (Sonata in D); Shostakovich (Battet Suite No 2) 9.00 Morning Collection with Paul Gambacchil. Beethoven (Piano Sonata in G, Op 79); Telemann (Sulle in A misori: Belatime (D weigh)

G, Op 79); Telemann (Sulte in A minor); Balakirev (Russia) 10.00 Musical Encounters, With Mark Rowinson. Verdi (Grand March, Aida) 10.05 Arist of the Week: Robert Lloyd, bass Mussougsky (The Field Marshel, Songs and Dances of Death); 10.10 Dvorak (Suite in A, Op 98b); Setena Key (String Quarted); Martinu (Obos Concerto); Ravel Bercause sur le nom de (Berceuse sur le nom de Gabriel Fauré): 11.15 Strauss Gabriel Fauré): 11.15 Strauss (Also sprach Zarathustra); Bigar (The Dream of Gerontius, Part 1; Conclusion) 12.00 Composer of the Week: Haydn, with Paul Guinary 1.00pm Chamber Music; from Cartmel Priory. Introduced by Rodney Stafford. French Baroque Airs; Michel Lambert (Jugez de ma douleur); de Visée (Pretude, Alemande and Gavotte); Campra (Cantala: Anon), Anon (J'ai passé deux jours sans vous voir; Si voire coeur; La Bergère qui m'engage);

Vor, si votre cosur, La Bergère qui m'engage); Couperin (Prélude: Musette; Chaconne, Trolsième concert royal); de Visée (Allemande grave); Dubuisson (Plainte sur la mot de M Lambert); Michel Lambert (Vos méspris chaque in ri

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ior strings) (5/6) 3.00 Mining the Archive: Henryk Szeryng, Susan Sharpe explores the life of the violnist S.00 The Music Machine, with 5.00 The Music Brachine, with Tommy Pearson (r) 5.15 In Tune, Haydn (Gloria, Mass No 13 In B Jiat, Creation Macs); Grainger, orch Wood (Handel In the Strand); Villa-Lobos (Genesis) 7.30 BBC Proms 1996, Live from the Albert Hall. Haydn (The Creation Myths, James Naughte explores how Haydn and his contemporaries undestood the consent of and his comemporanes understood the concept of Creation and what it means to us today; a.25 Haydn (The Creation) Parts 2 and 3 9.45 1996 Reith Lectures: The Language Web, Professor Jean Atchison's final locture in the series (55) (d) in the series (5/5) (r) 10.15 Hear and Now, Sarah Walker meets Anthony Payne and introduces recordings of his work and two quartets by voir and two quarters by contemporaries. Anthony Payne (Oichestral Vatriations): Goethr (String Quarter No 4). Payne (Emply Landscape): Francis Burt (String Quarter No 2): Payne (Time's Antow) Composers of the Weets No 2): Payme (Time s Anown) 12.00 Composers of the Week: The English Madrigalists (f) 1.00am Through the Night, With Donald Macleod, Includes 1.00 Mendelssohn 3.25 Beethoven 5.00 Sequence 0



Capobianco: glamorous

DEAN CAPOBIANCO is the fast, as he has done on the most glamorous track athlete tracks of the world over the in Australia and one of the last six years.

country's most eligible sport-ing bachelors (John Good-"I do work on the side and I coach kids at home at Curtin University; and not only kids The 26-year-old sprinter but people older than me as well. I love putting back what posed naked for the Black and White Olympic special get out," he said.

Capobianco, who first repmagazine in Australia; he likes fast cars and fast runresented Australia at the 1988 ning: and he will fight with world junior championships, unyielding determination to has been struggling to recover prove his innocence of taking the form that he showed in 1993, when he was fifth in the Yet there is another side to 200 metres in the world championships in Stuttgart. the sprinter: he enjoys teach-

ing schoolchildren how to run He has suffered frequent

you are in pain and you know what you have got to do," he said about his battle to return to full fitness. "I love everything about the sport. I even love training; staying fit is a great way to live." added the athlete, who counts sprinters. Linford

Christie and Frankie Fredericks, among his close friends.

FOOTBALL

Wednesday chase Lombardo

SHEFFIELD Wednesday have tabled a £3 million bid for Attilio Lombardo, the distinctive Italian winger (David Maddock writes). David Pleat, the Wednesday manager, and David Richards, his chair-man, are due to fly to Turin

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Juventus, the European cham-pions, in which he failed to this weekend for talks with Juventus officials over the proposed deal. reproduce his impressive form Lombardo, 30, who is alat his previous club, most as well known for his Sampdoria, after breaking a baldness as his skills on the

Karel Poborsky, the Czech Republic midfield player, conright wing, is available after a disappointing season with firmed yesterday that his heart is set on a move to Manchester United. There has WORD-WATCHING

been a delay in the transfer after Slavia Prague, his club, asked for a further £700,000, despite agreeing a £3.5 million (a) Some kind of hat. The scanty references all refer to Scottish men's hats. Of obscure origin, but presumably related to the French chapeau a hat. "Item ... to James Bassindin for ane shapion and ane beaver." fee with United officials.

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drugs.

Poborsky said yesterday: "I want to go to Manchester United and I am not interested (c) One who casts missiles by means of a sling. especially a soldier armed with a sling. Now mainly archaeological or historical. "The sympathy of hand and eye by which a practised slinger hits his mark with a stone." in any other English clubs. I

have told this to my club and I expect the deal to be completed by the end of the week." Liverpool. searching for a

left back, have made an offer for Robbie Elliott, the Newcastle United defender, who has been retained on only a weekto-week contract at SI James' Park.

Dwight Yorke, the Aston Villa forward, has signed a new four-year contract with the Coca-Cola Cup-holders. Paul Parker, 32, the former

(c) A trench or hollow running down a hill, a steep slope. From the Old English slidan to slide. "Tearing and wearing his corduroys, up trees and down slidders, to very reasonable Manchester United and England defender, is having trials

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE t..., Rxh2+!: 2, Kxh2 Qh6+: 3. KgI Bxd4+ and the white queen is lost. with Portsmouth.

(c) Pertaining to the number six. From the Latin senarius the

a revolution, such as that of a regular bezagonal prism about its

adjective of ser six. The senary scale is the scale of arithmetical notation of which the radix is siz. Senary division is division into six parts. The only other class of symmetry possible in crystals is scuary or becagonal, corresponding to a rotation of one-sixth of

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Ireland sweep into final

SPORT IN BRIEF

IRELAND will meet Hulland today in the final of the inaugurat European cricket championship after completing a clean sweep of their qualifying group in Copenhagen. Although Ireland took only 11.4 overs to pass Gibraltar's dismal elfort of 91 all out, Mike Hendrick, the coach, was far from happy with the 27 extras that his side conced-"I'm delighted to be in the

final, but we're still loo incon-

sistent," he said. Holland, who were dominant on the previous two days, lost by two wickets to Scotland when Keith Sheridan struck a winning single off the last ball of the final over. With each claiming two wins in group A. calculators were called on to separate Holland. Scotland and the England National Cricket Association (NCA). Holland prevailed ahead of the NCA, who improved their run-rate significantly by rat-tling up 375 for nine at Ringsted and then dismissing Israel for 38. The NCA will meet Denmark today to con-test third place: Scotland play Gibraltar for fifth and the wooden spoon will go to either Italy or Israel. Scores, page 38



Tyson: September date

BOXING: Mike Tyson's heavyweight title bout with Bruce Seldon, the World Boxing Association champion, has been rescheduled for September 7, at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas.

Frank Bruno, who lost his World Boxing Council title to Tyson four months ago, confirmed yesterday that he does not intend to retire.

RIFLE SHOOTING: Sedbergh School won the Ashburton Shield and schools team rifle championship at Bisley yesterday for the first time sinc: 1921.

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SQUASH: Stewart Boswell, 17, from Canberra, Australia, yesterday showed a steel and resolve beyond his years and a willingness to fight for his territory as he beat Karim El Mistikawi, of Egypt, 9-t, 4-9, 9-4, 9-4 to reach the final of the world junior men's championship in Cairo. In the second semi-final, Ahmed Faizy, of Egypt. beat Ong Beng Hee, of Malaysia, 8-10, 9-1, 9-0, 9-2, in 65 minutes.

CRICKET: Nixon McLean, a fast bowler, and Adrian Griffith, a left-handed opening balsman, are the newcomers in the West Indies party to tour Australia for a five-Test series from November 10 Feb-

ruary. WEST NOTES PARTY: C Wulsh (coptun), J Adama, C Ambrazo, K Benkanan, I Bahap, C Browno, S Campboa, S Chambapau, A Griffen, R Holdon, C Hoopor, B Lara, N McLoan, J Martey, R Samueta, P Deconteres

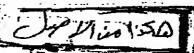
Gallagher (3/3) (1) 3.00 News; The Afternoon Shift 4.00 News; The Afternoon Shift 4.00 News 4.05 Kaleldoacope. Tim Markow visits the Earth galleries at the Natural History Museum and tails to Michael Hotroyd about the file and work of Augustus John ROWING: The men's cights looks likely to produce the best racing when the national championships begin today at Holme Pierrepont. Notting-ham. Entries include the University of London, two London RC crews and Nottingham BC, all of whom did well at Henley recently.

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Atlanta ego goes for the gold - in hokum

n the early hours of tomorrow morning, the npening ceremony will take place and the Atlanta Olympics will finally be under way. Of one thing we can be certain. Sining in the best seats in the \$540 million (L360 million) stadium. Billy Pavne will be wiping away a lear. As we discovered n last night's superb The Greatest Show on Earth: II's Atlanta (BBCI), Payne has found the Olympics a strangely lachrymose experience. Payne is the driving force behind

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the Atlanta Games, a local lawyer who set about securing the Olympics for the city with a near-evangelical zeal. Since he succeeded he has been gening more emotional by the day.

Spotting a soft target when he saw one producer-director Michael Waldman employed the same technique he used to such effect in The House, pointing a camera at a large ego and waiting for the

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O BBC Breakfast News (Ceelast 138616)

9.20 Ready, Steady, Cook (r) (s) (0046819)

9.50 Living Dangerously: Kites -- Kings of Hong Kong (i) (Ceelax) (s) (7113432)

10.20 FILM: The Last Best Year (1990) Bernadette Peters, Mary Tyler Moore and

12.00 News and Weather (Ceelax) (2327819)

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Knots Landing (r) (s) (8295451)

3.55 Golf: the Open. The second round from Royal Lytham and St Anne's Golf Club (s) (249109)

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6.30 Regional news magazines (635)

7.00 Top of the Pops (Ceetar) (s) (9722)

7.30 Future Fantastic. How science can

6.00 The Olympic Game, Steve Ryder

8.30 Big Break. Snooker quiz in which cele-brity players pot bails on behall of the

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improve the human body (Ceefax) (s)

Introduces the last in the series of the sports quiz. With learn captains Daley

Thompson and Steve Cram and guests

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television drama about terminal illness

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1.30 Regional News (12356155)

inevitable self-inflicted wound. Payne obliged early, as he considcred the subject of motivation in front an audience of Atlanta bigwigs. He owed it all apparently (not to mention inevitably) to his father. "Well, what do you think Dad? Are you proud uf me now?"

He just about answered his own question, "did you do your best, son?" but got no further. He blinked, his lower jaw trembled, he opened his mouth ... but no words came out. There was an awkward pause ... until the audience decided that a standing

ovation was preferable to further embarrassnient. If they were giving out gold medals for hokun1, we had found our winner. An awful lot of people are noping that Atlanta, the second Olympiad to be held in the United States in just 12 years, falls flat on its over-hyped face. But still more are hoping that the Olympic spirit

vulgarities of commerce in a city where even the hotel mini-bars have to be "sponsor-correct". Waldmin catered cleverly for both camps - providing an entertaining mixture of scepticism and enthusiasm that was spot on.

> e introduced us to "event junkies", the professional logistic experts who know just how many courtesy cars it takes to make an Olympic Games. Finding enough volunteers to drive them was another matter. As one put it: "There always comes a point when people realise that there isn't enough lime. What they don't realise is that there is never enough time."

Inevilably, we were bombarded with statistics (my favourite was that they started making the IS million pounds of ice required back in March) but Waldman never let them get in the way of will once again triumph over the some well-chosen and well-bal-

REVIEW Matthew Bond

anced stories. Not only had he found the lawyer who was moving out of his lake-side mansion, having let it for \$200,000 for the Ihree-week duration of the games, he found a woman who was being forcibly evicted from her small apartment so that her landlord could grab a share of the action. A large part of the \$1.7 billion cost of the games is being recouped by ricket sales and Waldman had some toe-curling footage of the earns during the Games as a agency, and for the past 30 years sales team whooping and holler-stripper. Grab it while you can, has been obsessed with Cambodia. ing themselves towards the target of \$65,000 in sales per hour. He contrasted this temple of Mammon with the financial problem facing the Himalayan kingdom of

Bhutan, the Olympic team of which consists of just two archers. The problem. explained a government minister, was the \$500-athrow cost of modern archery equipment: "Purchasing these bows and arrows has become a drain on our foreign exchange reserves." Still, I liked the look of Bhutan erchery - not only is singing and dancing an accepted part of the sport, but tradition dictates that your own team of cheerleaders chant personal in-

sults at your opponent. Thousands travel to Atlanta in hope. None less so than Anjelica who has just arrived from North Carolina and hopes to put herself through college on the money she

Anjelica - by the time we get to Sydney, it will probably be an Olympic sport.

ver since a much-repeated H advertisement where a kha-ki-clad woman tried to take photographs from a speeding car, while somebody heaved crates at her from the aircraft hold (what was it for ... cars, planes, credit cards?) films about photographers have had a bit of a struggle. As the ad reminded us, photographers talking seriously about their craft run the risk of sounding deeply pretentious.

Philip Jones Griffiths, however, just about got away with it in The Shoot: Cambodian Odyssey (BBC2), a gently absorbing docu-mentary made by Richard Trayler-Smith. Jones Griffiths was born in north Wales, became president of Magnum, the New York photo

He was helped by an easy-going manner, fascinating reminiscences, and powerful photographs that captured the beauty but more memorably the horror of Cambo-dia and Vietnam. That, he ex-plained, was the "horrible truth" of photography: "Things like dead bodies and suffering humanity is, in fact, perversely photogenic." Much of what he had seen and photographed was unprintable. The task is to achieve some sort of

Thirty years on Jones Griffiths was still in love with Cambodia but pessiniistic about the future of photography because of the use of computer manipulation of images. That threatened photography's ability to depict the truth. "And once photography (oses that, it (oses its most valuable criteria." Lynne Truss is on holiday

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	That said, this placebo is not without its merits. In lonight's second episode of a new series, there is a nice parallel drawn between the storyline of a patient and the emotional lives of the doctors. A young boy suffering from hypothermia is brought into the hospital after three hours under the joe. As the doctors struggle to warm him up, there is	 6.00 Home end Away (r) (Teletext) (157616) 6.25 HTV News (Teletext) (241529) 6.50 Let's Go (654364) 7.00 Lucky Numbers. Grameshow hosted by Shane Richle (Teletext) (s) (4890) 7.30 Coronation Street. A stranger goes 	1.25 Cross Wits (61658432) 1.55 A Country Practice (78577529) 2.20-3.20 Blue Heelers (7441884) 5.10 Shortland Street (7686635) 6.25-7.00 Central News and Weather (315529)	7.55 Book Choic Queenan's 7 (s) (783635) 8.00 Garden Pa Garden Pa Anderton C gardening c

9.00 News; Regional News; Weather Ceefax) (7616)

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introduces a preview of 16 days of

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larch and Merle Oberon, A drama directed by Sidney eletext) (2529)

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Party. Tom Barber and the Party experts join Stephen of English Heritage (and correspondent of The Times), in the gardens of Belsay Hall, Northumberland (Teletaxt) (s) (1180)

8.30 Brookside. (Teletext) (s) (7987)

9.00 Cybill. On the set of Chicago Hope, Cybill discovers that an actress with whom she has a chilly relationship is about to many Maryann's former husband (Teletext) (s) (7426)



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the doctors struggle to warm him up, there is a defrosting of the relationship between Jeffrey Geiger (Mandy Patinkin) and Geri -Infanle (Diane Venora). Some really nasty shots of organs, surgical drills and lopches offset the script's tendency towards over-cleverness. Not bad, but the literally heart-warming ending failed to do anything for the cockles of this narticular heart. cockles of this particular heart.

Channel 4, 9.30pm

Apparently absence does not make the heart grow fonder. On the evidence of this series I

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3.05 Dear Nick (5846925) 4.05 Jobfinder (4219914) 5.20 Asian Eye (1154914)

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Anyway? (503890) 11.05 Takeover TV (726884) 11.35 Film: Five Corners (481635)

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10.30 People Like Us (86029971)

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1.25 Home and Away (61658432)

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2.20 Murder, She Wrote (7906074)

5.10 Home and Away (7686635)

10.40 Film: The Postman Always Rings Twice (56437703) 12.40am Comedy Central (8684198) 1.40 The Good Sex Guide ... Late (7933391) 2.40 Cyber Cafe (9323778)

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1.55-2.20 Shortland Street, Suburban New

sporting action in Atlanta as the lates chapters in Olympic history are about to be written (s) (159513)

11.30 FILM: Blazing Saddles (1974) Ineverent western spoof verging on the tasteless yet one of the genre's top-grossing movies Starring Cleavon Little, Gene Wilder, Slim Pickens, Madellne Kahn, Harvey Kormann and Llam Dunn, Directed by Mel Brooks (s) (147548)

12.55am Olympic Grandstand, Live coverage of the opening caremony of the 26th Olympics from Atlanta, Georgia (s) (49605662)

5.00 Fil.M: Trio (1950, b/w). With Jean Simmons and Michael Rennie. Adaptations of three short stories by Somerse Maugham. The Verger. a verger who is sacked for being illiterate goes on to become the owner of a chain of tobacconists. Mr Knowall is the story of a selfish leweller who is shunned on a cruise; and Sanatonium, the story of patients in a tuberculosis hospital. Ken Annakin and Harold French direct (24020) Ends at 6.35am

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SKY NEWS

News on the hour. News on the hour. 6.00am Sunnse (7830155) 9.30 Century (52548) 10.30 ABC Nightime (58819) 1.30pm CBS News (20451) 2.30 Parta-ment (12548) 3.30 The Lords (7258) 5.00 Live at Eve (92069) 6.30 Tonight with Adam Botton (20567) 7.30 Sponsine (18906) 9 th Extremunded Strate (16306) Boution (2007) 7:30 Spotiatic Trees, 8,30 Entertainment Show (8555) 11:30 CBS News (99068) 12:30 an ASC News (96846) 1:30 Tonight with Adem Boulton Replay (85001) 2:30 Wordwide Report (14198) 3:30 The Loids (19643) 4:30 CBS News (31778) 5:30 ABC News (53469)

SKY MOVIES

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7.30 BBC Proms 96 (with Radio 3) James Naughtie Introduces the first night of the Proms from the Royal-Albert Hall. Andrew Davis conducts the BBC Orchestra and Chorus (64980600) Subsequent programmes may run

9.402 Dance: Dance for the Camera (980093)

9.50 Close Up. Leading film-makers and celebrities chose their favourite clips from the movies (s) (135616)

10.00 Friday Night Annistice. Last in the series of hard hitting satirical comedy shows featuring the talents of Armando tannucci, David Schneider and Peter Baynham. (s) (24884) Followed by a Video Nation short

10.30 Newsnight(Ceefax) (152600)

11.15 Golf: the Open. Steve Ryder Introduces the highlights of the second day's play and news of who hes made it through to play the last two days and who has fall short of the cut-oft coint (840093)

12.00am-1.55 FILM: Voyager (1991) atarring Sam Shepard, Julie Delpy, Barbara Sukowa, Dieter Kirchlechner, Deborah-Lee Furness and Traci Lind. Introspective drama about an American engineer whose casual affairs lead to an alarmino discovery. Through a chance encounter, he sees some of the damage wrought by his philandering, but fale has constructed a shocking revenge, towards which he is relentlessy drawn as he combines his globetrotting with his search for sexual fulfilmeni. Directed by Volker Schlondorfi [335001]. Ends at 1.55em

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SKY SPORTS

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Wresting Federation — Action Zone (79529) 8.30 Recing News (48557) 8.00 Aerobics (39819) 9.30 Stdf Safing (78838) 19.00 Boots in Al (33155) 11.100 Tigm Lines (26819) 12,00 Aerobics (46155) 12.30pm Pro-Beech Soccer (70425) 1.30 How the Premiership Was Won (93364) 2 on Enrowida Time (5432) 4.00 Boots in

Live (722971) 9.30 Galetie World Sport Special (50890) 10.00 Sky Sports Centre (115987) 10.15 Stdf Saling (599906) 10.45 Trans World Sport (997819) 11.45 Super League: Olcham v St Halens (913277) 1.45am Stoff Setting (845556) 2.15 British Pro Goll Tour (820407) 3.15 World Wide Rugby: New Zeeland v South Africa (285865) 5.15-5.30 Sky Sports Centre

7.00pm British Protessional Golf Tour (3615838) 8.00 Golf. 125th Open Champ-

ionship (4415722) 11.00 Finish Line (3494857) 11.30 British Professional Golf

7our (8129819) 12.30em-1.00 Gillette Work: Sport Special (6902136)

THE CHRISTIAN CHANNEL

4.00am Thought for the Day 4.05 Worship

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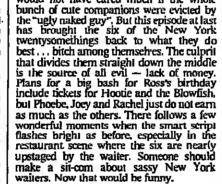
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SKY SPORTS 2

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SKY SOAP



Frasicr Chonnel 4, 10.00pm

Frasier fanatics will need no urging to watch what is undoubtedly the highlight of the week's viewing. Even when the show is mediocre by its own standards it is still head and shoulders above both home-grown and imported comedies. As soon as Kelsey Grammer dons the headphones as Seattle's favourite radio shrink and soothingly whispers 'I'm listening', there is bound to be delight in store. Tonight, the funeral of a cantankerous and much hated auni causes problems for both Frasier and Niles. Frasier has to compose a eulogy, while Niles is charged with finding a suitable site to scatter her ashes. Dad's suggestion for the dreadful old harpy's last resting place? "Flush her down the toilet. Why not? She always loved the water." Frances Lass

SATELLITE AND CABLE



Eye contact: Mel Gibson and Sigourney Weaver (TNT, 10.00pm)

UK GOLD

(3329093) 9.00 Casualty (3951838) 10.00 The Bill (3138616) 10.35 Alexei Sayle's Stuff

(1811451) 11.10 Minder (4704635) 12.15am FLLit: Curse of the Crimson Attar (6174198) 2.00 Shopping at Nighr

SKY TRAVEL 11.00mm Boomerang (2844115) 11.30 American Vacation (8992432) 12.30pm Pierre Francy (6572535) 1.00 Genauay (5112252) 1.30 Greet Scapare (657305) 2.00 Florida (2434513) 2.30 Crutsing the Globe (1835)55) 3.00 Globelrotter (2525548) 3.30 Around the World (5813426) 3.55-4.00 Holiday Shop THE HISTORY CHANNEL 4.00pm Weepons at War (4844398) 5.00 Ancient Mystenes (2437800) 6.00-7.00 Biography: Hercules (6484426) THE SCI-FI CHANNEL

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9.00em The Joy of Paintino (5624155) 9.30 7.00em Guiding Light (3149074) 7.55 As the World Turns (4857242) 8.50 Peyton Place (3355426) 9.20 Days of Our Uves (9005616) 10.10-11.00 Another World Gardeners' Diary (8317971) 19.00 The Log Cabin (Back-loback episodas) 12.00 Julia Child (5717819) 12.30pm The Frugal



Andrea Mason as Keane (8.00pm)

5.37 Three Minutes - Your Story (892277) 8.00 The Bill Loxton and Keane suspect that 6.00-7.00 Meridian Tonight (56971) the victim of e mugging knows more than she is admitting (7398) 10.30 Meridian News and Weather (457722) 10.45 The Magic and Mystery Show (221513) 8.30 Is it Legal? Comedy set in a shambolic solicitor's office (r) (Teletext) (s) (9345) 11.15 Dead Men's Tales (228426)

9.00 Savannah. Veronica and Peyton rescue Edward from the fire (Teletext) (s) (5616) 10.00 News (Teletext) and weather (24838) 10.30 HTV West Headlines (360242)

10.40 FILM: Klute (1971). Psychologiai thriller with Jane Fonda In an Oscar winning role and Donald Sutherland. A private eye becomes obsessed with an abused and

Starts: 6.35 The Wonderful wzzero or 0/2 (3447838) 7.00 The Big Breakfast (58426) 9.00 Film: Les Miserables (21884) 11.00 The Secret of Dona Ermellinde (5/797) 12.00 Sesame Street (38529) 1.00pm Slot Meithrin: Bwgan (51513) 1.30 On the Road to the Islands (41093) 2.00 Film: The Dark Angel (5520) 4.20 Perticipate (618 4.20 Abenitable nuerolic prostitute while searching New York for a missing research scienist. Directed by Alan J Pakula (65683906) 12.45 Stand Up. Fearbring the best of Britain's stand-up comed-ians on the alternative circuit (47488) (2529) 4.00 Backdate (616) 4.30 Absolutely Animals (600) 5.00 5 Pump: Anifelliaid Y (6063) 5.30 Countdown (180) 6.00 Newyddion (513258) 6.15 Heno (651203) 7.00

1.15 The Good Sex Guide ... Late (s) (4312914)

2.20 FILM: Operation Dead End (1986) Thriller starring Hannes Jaenicke, Isabelle Willer and Uwe Oxenknecht. Directed by Nikolai Mullerschon (859933)

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b/w). Chiller with Bonis Karloff. An unjustly executed man who is brought back to life and begins a vendetta of vengeence against the men who framed him. Directed by Michael Curtiz (7889846)

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Posse of Americans gathering to threaten a surprise British leader at the Open

Broadhurst reaps Lytham dividend

BY JOHN HOPKINS GOLF CORRESPONDENT

PAUL BROADHURST had a good year in 1988. He won the Lytham Trophy at Royal Lytham and St Annes in the spring and the silver medal for being the leading amateur in the Open Championship at the same venue in July. That knowledge of the intricacies of the course was further aug-menied when he made a reconnaissance visit to this part of Lancashire in January. Yesterday Broadhurst received a dividend on the investment he has made in time spent at Royal Lytham. By going round in 65, six under par, and equalling the course record, he opened up a



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two-stroke lead in the first round of the 125th Open. Give him full marks for trying.

On the European Tour Broadhurst resembles Costantino Rocca in that things happen to him that do not happen to others. He fiveputted one green during the Scottish Open at Carnoustie last week, for example, and ran up a nine in the third round of the French Open last



Broadhurst swings into action on the 16th at Lytham yesterday, on his way to a record-equalling 65, six under par, and the leadership of the Open. Photographs: Ian Stewart and sometimes resting on the his knee on the 9th and putted by everyone. Ballesteros, for

Mark McCumber and Mark handicap to playing good golf Normally it is. Whether that is Brooks. There could hardly and is presumably preferable have been a more determined to tripping down the stairs of make a good start," Faxon floor, Nicklaus did one exerwith an iron thereafter. one, failed to master it. why the Americans are doing year, which he won with a well I have no idea. It is cise after another as instructed The Scot who first said: "If The highlight of his othersaid. "You have good greens in one's hotel, falling over and there's nae wind, it's oae by Egoscue until his back was wise modest round came front of you and it's time to go. summer over here and you do start to the American profesgowf," would have sniffed get some sunny days in sumsionals' attempt to take home breaking the second toe of sufficiently pain-free for him when he slashed a wild drive No wind at a British Open is one's left foot, which is what to play. Then he played what disapprovingly at the condito the right of the loth and very unusual." He mer. 1 am sure the Americans the Open trophy from Lytham then birdied the hole. "This emphasised his concern at the happened to Curtis Strange. he described as a pretty good tions here yesterday. In the achievements prefer it this way." for the first time. Such ideal conditions as morning there was a blue of time there were no cars;" he number of withdrawals by One stroke behind them is Nicklaus's back had been in round of golf. Beware the injured golfer indeed. Nick Price, who will Americans this year, saying said, laughing. Ballesteros existed yesterday make for Nick Faldo, whose 68 was spasm. "I couldn't stand up, I Mediterranean clarity overthat II US PGA Tour profeshead and in the stillness of the could do no wrong in front of sealed by the way he played couldn't sit down, I couldn't do crowded leaderboards and bean adoring gallery and could do little right from the tee. sionals had signed up to try to qualify and four had withthe inward half in three under anything," he said. "I was real pretty this morning. My body was so twisted I looked like a glade where the 1st tee is halffore play had ended nearly one have an operation on his sinuses later this year, recircled in an embrace of trees. third of the field had achieved par, after carlier enduring one ceived a considerable ovation it was so quiet that it was John Daly, the defending of those spells when he did drawn. "That is a poor rado," scores of par -71 – or better. possible to forget the competihe said when he marched in the champion, scorched to the Broadhurst is chased by a everything right from tee to pretzel." tors were teeing-off. The course looked as though turn in 31 only to bogey four posse of competitors on 67, four under par, including the Nicklaus telephoned Pete Egoscue, a man he describes fading sunshine towards the "If you are a young Amerigreen except hole-out with one can and you are trying to get your card maybe you should 18th green with Ben Crenshaw holes coming home for a 70. putt. it should have been there for Americans Fred Couples. Tom Jack Nicklaus had a 69 to and Philip Walton. He had a as an anatomical functionalist one under par. Lehman, Loren Roberts, prove that being unable to get in San Diego, and, with the 68. Paul Azinger, on his way to taking. Nevertheless, it had "When you wake up in the stay at home. But this is the telephone sometimes 10 his ear a 74, snapped his putter over Mark O'Meara, Brad Faxon, out of bed in the morning is no too much spirit to be subdued morning and see the condi-Olympics of golf." 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dazzling last round of 63. He had a 63 in the 1990 Open at St Andrews, too.

All those were exceeded by his round yesterday, which was the stuff of dreams. It contained one eagle, four birdies and 23 putts,)) of them in his last ten holes. "Everyone thinks of leading the Open and I am no exception to that." Broadhurst, 30, said. "I was a bit concerned looking at the leaderboard with all the Americans there. I am surprised it is not windy.

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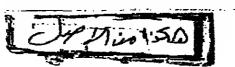
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